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Europe fears battle ahead with Thatcher

'Nightmare' of central control attacked again

- Mrs Thatcher continued her tour of Europe in Luxembourg by reiterating her criticism of EEC unity proposals
- As criticism of her Bruges speech grew across Europe, British officials acted to limit the damage
- Yesterday she spoke of "the nightmare" of central control and pressed her view of free enterprise policies
- She also threatened to block European plans which would cripple the future of British commercial TV

From Nicholas Wood in Luxembourg, and Our Foreign Staff

Mrs Thatcher reinforced her criticism of the "Utopian goal" of a united Europe in a speech in Luxembourg yesterday as storm clouds of rejection gathered over the Continent.

Undaunted by the criticism of her Bruges address the previous day, she spoke of a centralized nightmare and pressed on with her rival concept of "willing and active co-operation between independent sovereign states" pursuing free enterprise policies with a minimum of regulation.

Senior aides travelling with the Prime Minister in Luxembourg said she wanted to provoke a wide-ranging and fundamental debate about the future of Europe. "We have reached the stage where we don't give a damn what people say so long as they eventually come round," said a member of her entourage.

European leaders and European Economic Community officials reacted with dismay and pointed to a "major battle ahead" over the ultimate nature of the entity. Mr Andreas Papandreou, the Greek Prime Minister and current chairman of the Council of Ministers, sought an explanation during a BBC radio interview.

"It is difficult for me to believe that Mrs Thatcher would be prepared to put in question, unilaterally, the European Single Act, which binds the 12 by validated international treaty," he said in an interview in a London hospital, where he is being treated for a heart condition.

He considered it "extremely important at this stage that Mrs Thatcher inform, formally, the Community of the exact meaning of her vision of Europe".

"There is a lot of Genghis Khan in this speech," was the typical comment of a Member of the European Parliament, while the Belgian Foreign Minister, Mr Leo Tindemans, likened Mrs Thatcher to General de Gaulle.

"De Gaulle was quite a formidable personality. It's certainly not an insult," Mrs Thatcher responded.

Her remarks were made at a lunch in her honour hosted by Mr Jacques Santer, the Luxembourg President of the Government (equivalent to Prime Minister), who paid tribute to her tenacity, frankness and loyalty.

Other diplomats and officials took comfort in the fact that Mrs Thatcher had expressed similar views before, but that on this occasion the Prime Minister had declared that Britain's destiny lay in Europe.

However the response was overwhelmingly negative and in a damage limitation exercise, British embassies in the EEC had the Bruges speech translated and sent to "key personalities" in business, the media and politics, urging Europeans to read the whole text.

Mrs Thatcher's comments seemed certain to set the stage for confrontation at the next EEC summit meeting in Rhodes in December.

West German officials said Mrs Thatcher had "simply not understood" the 1992 process. "Deliberately or otherwise" she was confusing long-term goals, such as a single European currency, with the more immediate aim of the abolition of frontiers to create the single market.

"Of course we must have controls on crime and terrorism," one senior official in Bonn said. "But the EEC is doing this by strengthening external frontiers, not internal ones. Most terrorists and criminals do not use normal border crossing points anyway. Most arrests take place because of police surveillance inside the EEC, and this sort of co-operation is what we need to intensify for 1992."

German officials welcomed Mrs Thatcher's praise for the recent arrest of two IRA terrorists on the Dutch-German border by "a brave German Customs official". But they said the arrest had been a lucky accident, and could not be used to justify continued border controls.

Greece said the EEC must not abolish controls over drugs or crime. But Mr Yannos Kranidiotis, a senior Foreign Ministry official in charge of EEC affairs, said Athens fully supported closer

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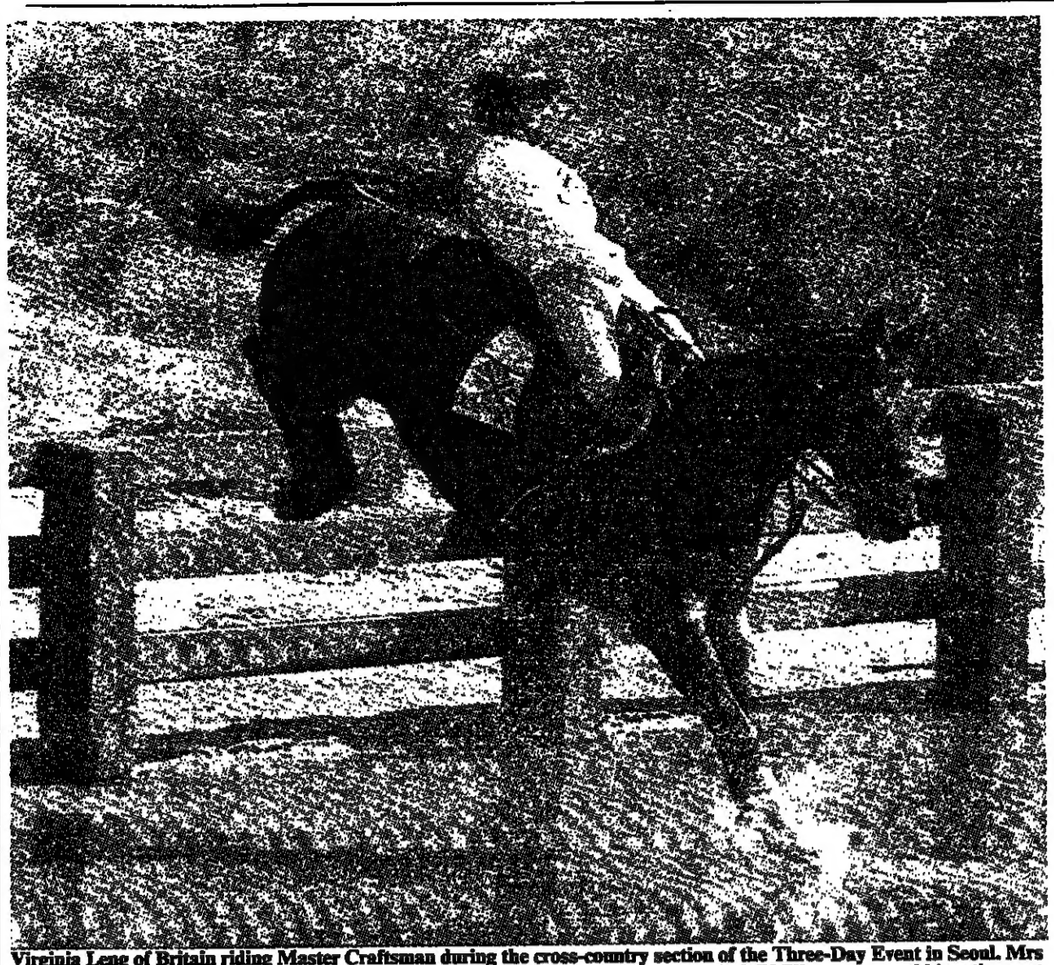
Holding on to Britain's Olympic medal hopes



Virginia Leng of Britain riding Master Craftsman during the cross-country section of the Three-Day Event in Seoul. Mrs Leng is second in the individual event, with the British team third overall. Captain Mark Phillips announced his retirement from the sport after having to withdraw from the competition. Report, pages 47 and 48 (Photograph: Ian Stewart)

British touts profit in Seoul

From John Goodbody Sports News Correspondent Seoul

British ticket touts operating in the Olympic Park have so far escaped prosecution under a Korean law which prohibits the resale of tickets for profit.

One group of four men who concentrate on big international sporting events hope to make a profit of £10,000 during the Games.

The group arrived in Seoul without tickets, but succeeded in buying and reselling them for the most attractive competitions.

Mr Martin Keane, aged 30, from Manchester, said yesterday: "There are about 20 people reselling tickets here, of whom at least nine are British. Four of us work as a group."

Mr Keane said the first task was to find couriers for travel companies through whom spare tickets could be obtained. He was able to resell tickets costing £30 for the opening ceremony for £350.

Mr Gary Collins, aged 32, from Tunbridge Wells, Kent, is concentrating on gymnastics and swimming, and has resold £25 seats for the gymnastics finals for £150.

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Gorbachov declares an emergency in Armenia

By Mary Dejevsky

The Soviet authorities have declared a state of emergency in the disputed Transcaucasian region of Nagorno-Karabakh, after what Tass said was a sharp deterioration in the situation there.

The announcement was made by the Kremlin's special envoy, Mr Arkady Volsky, and broadcast on regional radio and television. A few minutes before, Tass had reported the Soviet Foreign Minister, Mr Eduard Shevardnadze, as warning that "extraordinary measures" might have to be taken to avoid bloodshed.

The state of emergency includes a strict dusk-to-dawn curfew in the capital, Stepanakert and in the city of Agdam. It may, although this is not confirmed, amount to the imposition of martial law, in which case the troops who have patrolled the streets of the region's towns sporadically since the outbreak of the disturbances in February will be back more permanently. There may also be an enforced return to work.

In his announcement, Mr Volsky suggested that law and order was in danger of breaking down. He noted that there had been an attack on the Prosecutor's Office in Stepanakert and "humiliating attacks" on police and Interior Ministry troops.

The population of the city resumed their long-running general strike on Sunday following an incident in which one person was killed. Although the incident has been reported only in general terms by the Soviet media, it appears that a bus carrying mainly Armenians was ambushed by a group of Azerbaijanis near the town of Khadzaly and that a gunfight ensued.

According to Tass, apart from the man killed 25 people were hurt, but Armenian nationalist sources say that up to 70 people were injured.

Mr Shevardnadze: Move to avoid bloodshed.

Nagorno-Karabakh is the subject of a long-standing dispute between the neighbouring Soviet republics of Armenia and Azerbaijan which flared up again last February in a series of violent incidents. The region is administratively part of Azerbaijan, although the majority of its population is Armenian.

The authorities admit that more than 30 people have been killed in inter-ethnic clashes since February, most of them Armenians murdered in a day of violence in the city of Sumgait in Azerbaijan. Since then, there has been an exodus of Armenians to Armenia and Azerbaijanis to Azerbaijan, creating resettlement problems for both republics.

In June, the Nagorno-Karabakh government petitioned the Supreme Soviet in Moscow for the region to be transferred to Armenia, with the full support of the Armenian leadership. Mass street demonstrations in support of the transfer of Nagorno-Karabakh continue to be held in the Armenian capital, Yerevan.

Both Moscow and the Azerbaijani leadership have rejected demands for a change in the region's status.

Inquest witnesses dispute SAS story

From Tony Daw, Gibraltar

The evidence of the SAS soldiers who shot three IRA terrorists in Gibraltar was challenged at the inquest yesterday by two witnesses. A Gibraltar housewife and an English barrister gave accounts of the shooting which differed in significant details from those of soldiers A to D, who carried out the killings.

Mrs Josie Celecia heard the shots fired at two of the terrorists, Mairead Farrell and Daniel McCann, while looking out of the window of her first floor flat. She said she saw two bodies on the pavement. She then heard three more bangs and saw a man holding out both hands towards the bodies but she did not notice a pistol. Soldiers A and B have denied firing at the terrorists while they were on the ground.

Mr Stephen Bullock said he saw McCann reeling backwards from the first shots and then turned his attention to two other armed men, presumed to be soldiers C and D, who were standing together at a road junction ahead of him.

He said that after watching the shootings they ran off and he heard a further long burst of firing. Soldiers C and D said they killed the third terrorist Sean Savage after hearing the first shots behind them and out of their sight.

Both witnesses, who appeared in the controversial *Death on the Rock* television film stuck to their stories under hostile cross examination from Mr Michael Hucker, representing the SAS soldiers.

He said he would be calling evidence to show they had discussed their stories outside the court yesterday before appearing in the witness box.

The inquest was also told, by Det Chief Inspector Joe Ullger, head of the Gibraltar Special Branch, that the authorities had planned to let the terrorists enter Gibraltar to be arrested later by the SAS.

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Britain will block Euro-plans for TV

By Richard Evans and Nicholas Wood

The Prime Minister yesterday widened her dispute with the rest of the Europe by insisting she will block plans which threaten to cripple the advertising future of Britain's commercial TV companies and threaten programming.

Mrs Thatcher went out of her way during a visit to the Astra satellite television headquarters in Luxembourg to emphasise that the Government will not sign draft pan-European broadcasting agreements being drawn up by the Council of Europe and the EEC.

Both Euro-bodies are preparing rules and regulations to deal with the new era of satellite television when TV stations will be able to beam programmes across national frontiers into several countries.

While Mrs Thatcher has welcomed a European move to stop unacceptable scenes of sex and violence being beamed into people's living rooms from another country, she is furious at European proposals to interfere with advertising and programming.

Following intensive lobbying led by the Germans, the EEC and the Council of Europe are threatening to forbid advertisng breaks during many programmes and to severely restrict them during others. Instead commericals would be confined to lengthy "blocks" in between programmes, which would devastate the finances of ITV companies. The EEC is also suggesting 60 per cent of programmes — excluding news, sport and game shows — should be made in the EEC.

The issue is set to come to a head at a Council of Europe meeting in Stockholm in November and at the next

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Whitehall savings fall short

By Philip Webster

Whitehall departments were sharply criticized by an all-party committee of MPs yesterday for their poor response to a government savings drive.

The Public Accounts Committee expressed deep concern at the failure of departments to meet a demand from ministers for savings of 5 per cent in their purchasing of goods and equipment when optimistic assessments suggested that savings of up to 20 per cent would eventually be possible

The target was set by the Government's so called "purchasing initiative" four years ago. Report, page 4

Biggest-ever bid for British firm

By Our City Staff

The biggest contested bid ever launched for a British company was made yesterday when Minorco offered £2.9 billion for Consolidated Gold Fields, the mining house.

ConsGold shares jumped more than £3, and in late trading reached £14. Minorco has asked for a Stock Exchange inquiry into ConsGold share price movements.

Minorco, based in Luxembourg, is the overseas arm of the South African Anglo American empire. Its offer of £13.06 per share was rejected as "ludicrous" by Mr Rudolph Agnew, ConsGold's chairman.

The Minorco bid is spearheaded by Sir Michael Edwardes, the former head of British Leyland, who joined Minorco's board in 1984 and was yesterday made deputy chairman and chief executive. Minorco already holds a 28.94 per cent stake in ConsGold.

If successful, Minorco will sell off ConsGold's South African investments and review ConsGold's 49.3 per cent holding in Newmont Mining Corporation, the North American gold mining company. Minorco currently has no South African assets

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MI5 'knew Blunt was a communist in 1930s'

By Michael Evans Defence Correspondent

Blunt: Americans asked for an interview.

Anthony Blunt was known to be a communist before he left Cambridge University in the 1930s and yet was still allowed to join MI5, according to secret British intelligence files uncovered in Washington.

The archive documents include reports of MI5 and Special Branch surveillance activities mounted on communist suspects at Cambridge University in the 1920s and 1930s, when many top Soviet spies, including Blunt and Guy Burgess, were recruited. One of the dons, Maurice Dobb, who encouraged his students to join the Communist Party, had his letters opened and telephone tapped.

The secret files were discovered by Mr John Costello, a British-born historian, while researching for a book. They also reveal that two weeks after the defection to Moscow of Burgess and Donald Maclean in 1951, the Federal Bureau of Investigation pleaded with the British authorities for permission to interview Blunt. The request was turned down.

The FBI file on Blunt shows the Americans had evidence that he was deeply implicated with Burgess and Maclean. Yet Blunt was not confronted by MI5 until 1964, and he was not exposed in public until 1979, when Mrs Thatcher made a statement in the House

Mr Costello's book, *The Mask of Treachery*, based on more than 4,000 MI5 files buried in American archives, is to be published in the United States on October 25. It is due to be published in Britain by William Collins soon after, although the contents have already caused some alarm in Whitehall.

This week, an official letter was sent to Collins asking for three names to be deleted from the version published in Britain. Collins has also been reminded that the House of Lords' judgement on *Spycatcher* — the book by Mr Peter Wright, the former MI5 officer — has still not been delivered. It is due next month.

An official at 10 Downing Street said yesterday: "No one in the Cabinet Office has seen the book. If it includes things that we have already gone to court over, we will have to consider what action may be taken."

Mr Bruce Lee, senior editor for the American publishers, Morrow, said the book would challenge many of the statements made over the years about the Soviet spy ring in Britain.

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NEWS ROUNDUP

Tributes pour in for Roy Kinnear

Tributes poured in last night for Roy Kinnear, the actor, who died on Tuesday night after a riding accident while filming in Spain. Michael York, who was co-starring in *The Return of the Musketeers* with Roy Kinnear, said: "Roy was the most modest of men and an extraordinary man – the kindest and most gallant and the most good-natured person I think I have ever met.

"He is irreplaceable, but somehow we are going to find the means to continue the film as a contribution to his extraordinary talent and so that a life that brought joy and enchantment to all those who met him can continue to do so through the undying medium of film."

Mr Kinnear, aged 54, fell as he rode across a bridge in Toledo on Monday. He dislocated his pelvis and there appeared to be no complications. He is believed to have suffered traumatic shock and died from heart failure. Colleagues pledged to complete the film in his honour.

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Son's plea for Biggs

The 14-year-old Brazilian son of the Great Train Robber, Ronald Biggs, arrived in London yesterday to plead his father's cause for a royal pardon. Michael Biggs was travelling with his mother to petition the Queen and to promote a new film, *Prisoner of Rio*, about his father's life on the run. However, Mr Robert Adley, MP for Christchurch and joint chairman of the parliamentary railways committee, called for Biggs to be extradited from Brazil. He said: "Any suggestion that Biggs is anything other than a convicted violent criminal should be rejected".

35-hour week sought

The Engineering Employers' Federation is likely tomorrow to give a cool reception to demands by 14 unions representing 800,000 workers for a 35-hour working week. The federation will make it clear the claim will not be conceded unless the Confederation of Shipbuilding and Engineering Unions can deliver substantial cost savings. The unions say that in European countries where the 35-hour week already operates productivity has increased. They also say that employment in the industry could be increased by 200,000 if the claim is accepted.

Officer suspended

A police force has suspended a third officer after allegations of violence. The officer, based in Wrexham, Clwyd, was suspended pending an internal inquiry after a man was allegedly assaulted after his arrest in the town for being drunk and disorderly. Mr Eric Evans, the North Wales deputy chief constable, confirmed the suspension but would not comment further. The move comes after last month's suspension of two officers when a television cameraman filmed them allegedly beating up two men after a car chase in Anglesey.

Queen to visit Spain

The Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh are to make a state visit to Spain from October 17 to 21, at the invitation of King Juan Carlos and Queen Sofia, Buckingham Palace announced yesterday. It will be the Queen's first visit to Spain. Afterwards she and the Duke are to spend a private weekend in Majorca with their hosts. The Queen will use the royal yacht Britannia for part of the visit.

Call for the police to get motorway special squad

By Peter Evans, Home Affairs Correspondent

Ministers should consider the creation of a national motorway police squad to tackle dangerous driving, Chief Superintendent Geoffrey Meadows, head of operations in the Lancashire force, said in Blackpool yesterday.

The squad would provide greater consistency, more patrols, more resources and better law enforcement. Officers should be seconded to it.

The Lancashire force has had to handle three of the worst motorway accidents in the last two years, which resulted in 34 deaths.

Lancashire officers have prepared a report for Mr Peter Bottomley, the Minister for Roads and Traffic, recommending there should be training to drive on motorways for the test, perhaps using simulators, as aircraft pilots do.

Chief Superintendent Meadows found "quite horrifying" the discovery that during five days on one of the busiest sections of the M6 30 per cent of all vehicles driving North were leaving less than a two-second gap – 50,000 vehicles were driivng too close to each other.

He is calling for new technology already in use in some European countries to detect people driving too close together. Road markings and a camera on bridges enable measurements to be taken.

Mr Meadows was speaking at a press briefing during the annual meeting of the Police Superintendents' Association. Before members went into a closed session on the Hungerford massacre, Chief Superintendent Ken Smith, secretary of the association, urged the formation of a national network of gun-carrying vehicles, giving 24-hour cover in case of major shootings.

Three forces already have them, but in the wake of the massacre the three national staff organizations at a meeting on Monday will consider a call for other areas to have them too. When the association's chiefs meet representatives of the Association of Chief Police Officers and the Police Federation on Monday they will have in mind that armed response units are already deployed by Nottinghamshire, West Yorkshire and Hampshire police.

Nottinghamshire has three armed response vehicles. Each contains a sealed armoury with handguns, a shotgun with a rifled barrel, a rifle and CS gas cartridges for use with the shotgun. Protective equipment is carried for the two officers manning the vehicle.

Any police officer using a call sign can deploy the team to a location. But when firearms have not been used against police or members of the public, weapons can be taken from the armory only on the authority of an assistant chief constable or above.

If a firearm has been used against the police or the public, authority can come from a superintendent. One of the vehicles is deployed on the M1, another on the A1 and a third in the City centre.

Mr Smith said that their presence would safeguard unarmed officers from being deployed when the police had precise information that suspects were armed or a firearm had been used.

"As an association we don't wish to see police officers routinely armed, but we would like to see ACPO taking a lead from the three forces that have available armed response teams", he said.

Mr Smith said the armed response vehicles were also used as normal police patrol cars, although they had a sealed armoury and the crews were authorized firearms officers only when an incident occurred whilst the team deployed in its firearms response role.

One chase already by a Nottinghamshire armed response vehicle took it through five other force areas. None of the five forces was able to deploy an armed team.

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Clarke reassures nurses on pay award

Mr Kenneth Clarke, the Secretary of State for Health, meeting cardiac technicians at the opening of an extension to the heart unit at the Bristol Royal Infirmary yesterday. Sue Simpson (left), Nicola Osborne and Caroline Bird were told that the Government will fully fund this year's nurses' pay award. Mr Clarke said the rises would be implemented by Christmas.

Wider competition in credit cards

By Rosemary Unsworth, Retail Affairs Correspondent

Retailers and consumers are likely to benefit from the increased competition which is likely to come after the decision by Lloyds, Barclays and Bank of Scotland to apply for independent membership of MasterCard, the smaller of the two international credit card systems. It has 12 million card holders in the United Kingdom and operates under the Access name.

Midland and National Westminster are also considering independent applications to MasterCard.

Within the past week, Lloyds, Barclays and Bank of Scotland have announced that they have taken advantage of MasterCard International's decision to open up its United Kingdom membership to financial institutions outside the Access scheme.

The present sole members of Access are National Westminster, Lloyds, Midland and Royal Bank of Scotland, who run the scheme through the Joint Credit Company, sharing overheads and a rulebook. Access has 300,000 outlets in the United Kingdom and six million worldwide.

Barclays Bank has been a member of Visa, the world's biggest credit card operation, since 1966. Visa has now expanded its membership to 27 financial institutions, including four building societies, and has about the same number of retail outlets as Access.

The applications, which are likely to be successful, will be heard on October 10. None of the banks is willing to give away its plans but it seems certain that new types of plastic cards will be offered to customers. These will be specifically targeted at particular groups.

But Lloyds said yesterday it would continue to use Access as its main bank credit card, and Barclays confirmed that it would maintain Visa for Barclaycard.

The banks could also follow the example of their American counterparts, which routinely supply MasterCard and Visa, and offer affinity cards. These enable organizations such as companies with a large number of employees, trade unions and even charities to issue plastic cards in their own name.

Retailers may also be able to negotiate lower commission rates from the card-issuing banks if they become more competitive with each other. At present, merchant charges are just under 2 per cent of the purchase price but this figure could fall if banks negotiated individually with retailers.

Government opposes EEC labour regulations

By Tim Jones, Employment Affairs Correspondent

The Government last night made it clear it would resist any move by the European Commission to impose compulsory trade union representatives on the boards of all companies.

Mr John Cope, Minister of State for Employment, speaking after returning from a meeting of European employment ministers in Athens, said Britain would also oppose a Euro-employment contract for workers.

His speech came 24 hours after Mrs Thatcher had dismissed as folly the idea of a political and economic union of European nations.

Mr Cope said British ears had been "frightened" by such talk "all of which would sit very uneasily with British practice and indeed the practice of some of the other countries in the Community".

His speech, delivered to the Mid Kent Small Business Club, was obviously aimed at a wider audience and in particular M Jacques Delors, the EEC president, who has been emphasizing the importance of the "social dimension" of 1992 when the market is deregulated.

He maintained there was a growing realization that social development must not conflict with the internal market.

"We must improve our competitiveness to create jobs, not stifle it with new areas of regulations".

His message to the ministers was they should concentrate on making Europe's labour markets more flexible, not more regulated.

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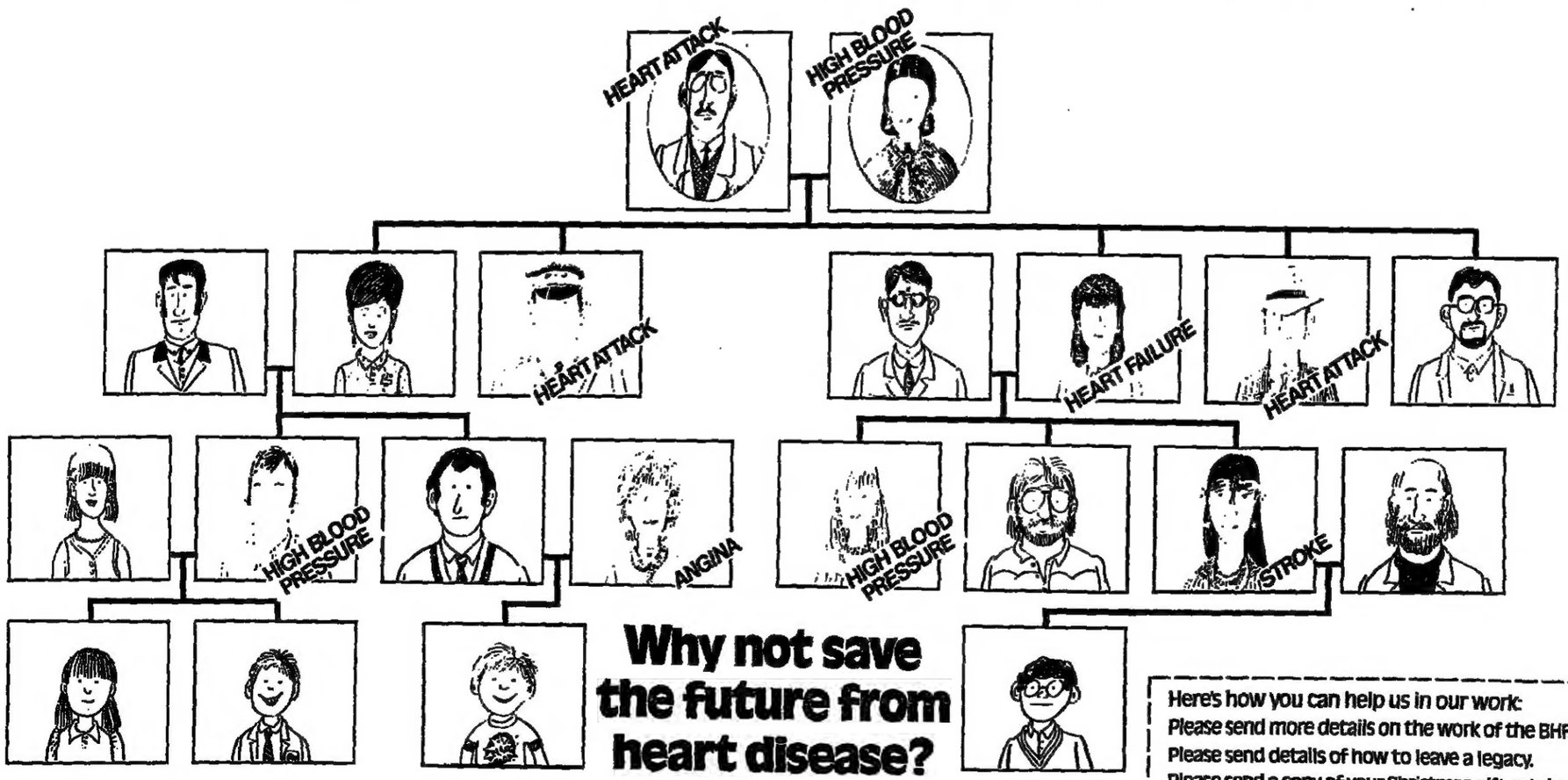

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Three-year jail term for driver in death crash 'not enough'

The fiancée of a man who was burnt to death after a 100 mph car crash criticized a three-year jail sentence and 10-year driving ban handed out to the driver of the car yesterday.

Miss Barbara McEvoy, who was six months' pregnant at the time of the accident, said outside the court: "He should have got 10 years in prison instead of 10 years' disqualification. I am terrified he will do it again. Anyone who is disqualified should never be allowed on the road again."

She said: "It just isn't enough. It is disgusting. It will just be a holiday for him, yet he has destroyed my life and that of my little girl."

The Central Criminal Court was told that Anthony Williams, aged 29, had been banned twice previously for drunken driving and was driving while disqualified at the time of the accident.

Mr Michael Hill, the recorder, said the accident was "one of the worst cases of death by reckless driving this court is ever likely to hear".

Williams admitted causing the death by reckless driving of David Hunt, aged 22, on a notorious stretch of dual carriageway at Sidcup, Kent, in April last year.

The court was told that the four-week-old, high-powered BMW car burst into flames seconds after crashing. Mr Hunt was burnt beyond recognition.

Mr David Bate, for the prosecution, said Williams, of Jevington Way, Lee, south London, had been drinking but was not over the legal limit at the time of the crash. However, he had driven at speeds of between 85 mph and 100 mph, weaving through traffic and "cutting up" other cars.

Mr Bate said Williams was driving so fast that smoke was coming from the car's exhaust

Anthony Williams: reckless driving at 85 to 100 mph

moments before he lost control on a bend and smashed into a bridge, rupturing the petrol tank.

Mr Hunt, who was sitting above the tank, was already extensively injured. He was burnt dreadfully when the car exploded into flames.

Mr Bate said that Williams and another passenger were able to walk away from the accident. They were offered tea at a house near by. Williams had asked for whisky, which he drank from a bottle.

Mr Martin Heslop, for the defence, said Williams expressed "deep regret and shame for his appalling conduct that day".

The judge told Williams he had no business to have been driving in the first place but had done so in a dreadful and cruel way, "which resulted in a horrific death. The calamity may affect you for the rest of your life."

The court was told that the former newspaper printer, who was now unemployed, had been disqualified for 12 months in August 1985 for driving with excess alcohol. He committed a second offence the day before his first appearance in court and was banned for three years.

Williams was jailed for a further two years after being convicted of fraud by a jury in a separate case.

Miss McEvoy, aged 24, said afterwards that she would sue for compensation. "It is for my little girl. How do you explain to her why she has not got a father? That man will be out of jail before she even goes to school. What price is put on a human life?"

She said: "My fiancé and I were getting married and were in the process of getting a home. The five years we had together all went in seconds. At least our little girl will have his name, Charlotte Hunt-McEvoy. Dave loved life. Only that week he had chosen the name for our baby."

Wrecked remains of the four-week-old BMW car after the fatal accident in April last year.

The Olympian who won't be late next time

Gymnast Lisa Grayson was training for the Olympics last night, but she is early, not late. Her mind, understandably, was half a world away in Seoul, among the cheering crowds and tense atmosphere she so nearly shared as a late replacement in the British team. Lisa, aged 15, missed out after a frantic, vain bid to catch a flight. Now, with coach Jack Grey, she trains for Barcelona 1992, pursuing her dream in a small, bleak gym in Redcar, Cleveland.

Minister condemns GCSE delays

By David Tytler
Education Editor

The Open College, founded last year, has become Europe's fastest-growing educational institution. Based in Sheffield, and charged with improving the "vocational competence" of students through distance learning on lines similar to the Open University, it enrolled more than 40,000 students last year, according to figures released yesterday. Next year's target is 80,000, rising to 100,000 by 1990.

A dispute broke out last night between the Government and the GCSE examining board after Mrs Angela Rumbold, Minister of State at the Department of Education and Science, accused it of complacency, with thousands of the 700,000 schoolchildren who took the examination for the first time this year still waiting for their results.

Mrs Rumbold said: "My view is that the exam boards all need to pull their socks up. They are far too complacent." She said that the Government was very concerned at the delay in getting the results to the schools which should have received them all more than a month ago.

Mrs Rumbold, who was addressing the Headmasters' Conference in Swansea, said: "We are very concerned that things do not remain like this and have asked the board to sort it out very quickly. We are very concerned at the delays. It is not good enough."

Mr John Edmundson, secretary of the joint council for the GCSE, which was meeting in Birmingham to discuss the first year of the examination, reacted angrily. "Any professional organization would take steps to put things right. We do not need any politician to tell us that", he said.

And Mr Dennis Hatfield, chairman of the joint council, said: "There is no evidence that any of the boards were complacent. Mrs Rumbold says we have had 19 years to prepare for the examination. We have of course been running the O Levels and it is the politicians who have been forcing the pace."

Mr Brian Swift, secretary of the Midlands examining group, apologized to children who were still waiting for their results.

"The main difficulty has been course work going astray but we are putting this right", he said.

Mrs Rumbold told the conference that the GCSE had been a success, but added: "We must not become complacent. We are all aware that although GCSE is better than what went before, it is still far from perfect.

"There have been administrative teething troubles. There are also some concerns about aspects of its organization — particularly the demands of course work assessment and the burden it can impose if it is not well managed."

Mr John Everson, Chief Inspector of Secondary Education, told the Birmingham conference that the GCSE "has been the chief agent for change in the secondary schools".

An inspectorate report will be published next month based on 1,300 visits to schools over the past two years.

It will show that four out of five GCSE lessons observed have been satisfactory or better, compared with 66 per cent of the old O Level classes.

On Saturday in colour

- Was all the fuss and bother of the Sixties worth anything? Do *Play Power* and *The Female Eunuch* have any relevance to the yuppie generation? Richard Neville, Paul McCartney and Christopher Logue are among those musing on the fate of the counter-culture.
- The Travel pages open the skiing season with a look at the brochures and investigate the dangers of going off-piste.
- A 24-page Property section looks at homes next to golf courses and marinas.

Portfolio PLUS *Accumulator*

- Mr Geoffrey Hornby, of Torquay, Devon, arrived home from hospital to discover he was one of six winners of yesterday's Portfolio prize of £4,000.
- The other winners were: Mr Rod MacKenzie, of Sawbridgeworth, Hertfordshire; Mr William Axtell, of Wimbotsham, Norfolk; Mr William Turnbull, of Lindford, Hampshire; Mr John Ley, of Hove, East Sussex, and Mr James Martin, of Hawick, Scotland.

Shortage of court clerks

Magistrate protests to Government

By Frances Gibb, Legal Affairs Correspondent

A magistrate has lodged a protest with the Lord Chancellor and the Home Secretary, saying the acute national shortage of court clerks was threatening to bring about a collapse of the magistrates' court service.

Mrs Kathleen Bowman, who sits on the bench in Fareham, Hampshire, says the shortage is so serious that "we are likely soon to have a situation where solicitors challenging a crown prosecutor will not have courts to operate in". The Fareham bench, she says, is operating with clerks at half strength, and vacancies have been advertised without success at a time when the Home Office was urging courts to speed work and cut delays and adjournments.

Her letter comes as the drainage of clerks to the Crown Prosecution Service or private practice is causing many court sittings to be cancelled.

It coincides with mounting frustration in the Justices' Clerks' Society, which represents the chief legal advisers to JPs, and the Association of Magisterial Officers, which represents more junior court clerks. Both have lodged substantial pay claims.

Mr Brian Forster, secretary of the society, said his members estimated there were now about 100 clerk vacancies throughout the country.

The society has lodged a pay claim which would give justices' clerks — who run magistrates' courts — parity with branch crown prosecutors. It would mean that a justices' clerk in a division of 160,000 people would go from £26,000 to £34,000 and one in a division of 300,000 from about £31,000 to £39,000.

Pay talks between the Association of Magisterial Officers and the joint negotiating committee of local councillors and magistrates have broken down. The collapse comes after the committee offered a total pay award of 5.4 per cent. The dispute will now go to the Advisory, Conciliation and Arbitration Service.

Pregnancy screening plea

By Jill Sherman, Social Services Correspondent

A more comprehensive antenatal screening policy for a wider age group could significantly reduce the number of babies born with Down's syndrome and spina bifida, a report published today states.

The report, *The Nation's Health*, says preliminary research by one health authority suggested that if the amniocentesis screening test for pregnant women over 35 were combined with a protein screening test for younger women, 40 per cent of all Down's syndrome babies could be detected (five times higher than at present).

In the document, an independent committee of health experts say the number of cases of Down's syndrome has not fallen in the past twenty years partly because of a patchy implementation of screening policies. In 1980 only 49 per cent of those over 38 had amniocentesis.

The report says that although older women have the highest risk of having a Down's syndrome baby, the largest numbers (about 80 per cent) of affected women are in the younger age groups. Down's syndrome testing could be extended to them as there is evidence that the syndrome is related to abnormally low levels of a protein known as alphafetoprotein (AFP) in the mother's blood which can be detected by screening.

AFP screening used with amniocentesis can already detect 75 per cent of open spina bifida cases, the report says. Investigation with an ultrasound scan can increase the detection rate to 91 per cent.

The report recommends that by the year 2000, at least 95 per cent of women over 35 should be offered amniocentesis and 95 per cent of all pregant women should be offeged antenatal screening for AFP levels.

Judge shows leniency to woman blackmailer

A Central Criminal Court judge yesterday showed sympathy for a mother-of-three whose sexual activities with a businessman were secretly filmed and used to blackmail him.

Seliz Hassan, aged 31, wept as Mr Crespi, the Recorder, sentenced her to 18 months' imprisonment for blackmail, but suspended the sentence for two years.

He said he believed that she had been under the dominance of her Egyptian husband, Hessen Hassan, aged 41, a chauffeur now serving six years for his part in the blackmail.

The judge told the wife: "Go back to your children, keep out of trouble and this will be the end of this unhappy story as far as you are concerned.

"I proceed on the basis that you were under the dominance of your husband at the time. You have got children and I am most reluctant to send you to prison."

Last month a jury convicted both husband and wife, of Lisson Green estate, Paddington, west London, of blackmailing the businessman — who cannot be identified — by threatening to show the film, video taped in the bedroom of a north London flat, to members of his family. The husband was jailed and sentence on Mrs Hassan was postponed for a social inquiry report.

The jury was told that Mrs Hassan tried to use the film to obtain £3,500 from the 45-year-old company director.

Army death shot 'accident'

An Army private accidentally shot dead a fellow private during exercises in Belize, an inquest was told yesterday.

Private Graham Circuitt, aged 19, was shot in the neck at close range by Private Mark Jones, aged 18, during training by 2 Battalion, The Parachute Regiment.

Mr Rodney Corner, North Buckinghamshire coroner, was told the exercise on a firing range at a makeshift jungle camp involved the platoon in hunting two "enemies" who escaped during an ambush.

Lance-Corporal Paul Ellis, a safety inspector at the camp, said he was standing behind Private Jones when the shooting happened. "Private Jones got into a kneeling position and raised his weapon into his shoulder. I shouted 'stop' as I could see what was about to happen. He would have been endangering life if he had fired his weapon.

"I heard Jones's weapon going off seconds later. I saw Private Circuitt slump. His arms gave way and his legs slumped to the floor. Jones dropped his weapon, took the webbing off and went into a state of shock."

The hearing at Milton Keynes was told the gun used by Private Jones was faulty, although this had not contributed to the shooting. Corporal Neil Harvey, a force armourer, said there were four things wrong with the SA 80 rifle, which had been damaged.

At one stage during the hearing, the coroner ordered the press and public to leave while he studied a "restricted document" raised in the case.

Mr Corner said: "In my view, it does affect a matter of national security and if the document is referred to, I will have to clear the court".

In his summing up, Mr Corner said that as a result of the shooting and an incident in Brunei, he believed the Army should look into whether Susat gun sights should be used when soldiers were operating at close range.

He said: "A terrible mistake has been made by Private Jones, who has not assessed the situation correctly. He loosed off a bullet when he should not have done. Having heard the evidence I am in no doubt that Private Circuitt was directly in front of Private Jones and I am also satisfied that Private Jones did not deliberately shoot at Private Circuitt." He recorded a verdict of death by misadventure.

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Women jockeys upset by Francome remarks

John Francome, the former champion jockey, has ridden into a confrontation with the Princess Royal by declaring that women do not have the strength to compete with men.

Mr Francome, now a promising trainer based at Lambourn, Berkshire, said in *Riva* magazine: "They haven't the strength for the jumping game".

He said that if he had a daughter, he would not allow her to ride professionally.

His comments will not find favour with the Princess Royal and other female jockeys who have made a mark on the sport in the past few years.

Lorna Vincent, aged 28, the first woman to achieve prominence in National Hunt racing — and who beat John Francome at Newbury once — said: "I don't know how he can say that. There are about 150 of us now holding professional licences."

A spokesman for Gee Armytage, the woman jockey who led the Grand National this year, said: "I'm sure she would disagree strongly with what John says".

An unrepentant Mr Francome said yesterday: "I don't know what all the fuss is about. I haven't said women shouldn't ride. I just don't think girls are strong enough to jump professionally.

"If women jockeys don't like it, I'm not going to lose any sleep over it.

"It's natural when a man falls off a horse for him to curl up into a ball. Women don't do that naturally and they get hurt."

MPs are critical of Whitehall effort to meet savings target

By Philip Webster, Chief Political Correspondent

Whitehall departments including the Treasury were strongly criticized by MPs yesterday for failing to make adequate savings in the purchase of goods and equipment.

Faced with a demand from ministers to make value-for-money savings of 5 per cent in their procurement spending, departments collectively set targets which were £194 million below that figure for 1987 and failed by £135 million to reach it.

The all-party Public Accounts Committee voiced concern at the failure to meet the savings target, fixed by the Government's so called "purchasing initiative" and designed to introduce a more professional approach within Whitehall to the buying of non-military goods and services.

It criticized the Treasury and the Central Unit on Purchasing, set up to oversee the savings drive and to report to the Prime Minister, for failing to play a stronger co-ordinating role. It said that departments needed a "stronger lead from the centre".

It singled out for particular criticism the Government's two largest purchasing departments, the Property Services Agency and the Department of Transport, which account for 54 per cent of procurement expenditure but which achieved savings of only 1.2 per cent and 1.9 per cent respectively. Criticizing the "poor professionalism" of the purchasing and supply arrangements within departments, the committee attacked the inadequate attention of senior management to the "basic functional activities" of their departments, called for proper professional training for purchasing staff, and told the Treasury to report to ministers if departments failed to set realistic targets or failed to achieve them by big margins.

When the initiative was launched in 1984 the management and personnel office (MPO) of the Treasury said that more professional practices could eventually bring savings of between 5 and 20 per cent in departments' expenditure on procurement.

At that time, ministers opted for a target of £400 million a year, equivalent to 5 per cent of annual spending.

The committee said yesterday that while the 20 per cent target might be optimistic, the Central Unit on Purchasing should establish a "demanding though realistic" target for savings beyond April 1989.

The MPO in 1984 had concluded that government-purchasing organizations compared badly with those in the private sector, who were more active, better informed and better motivated. Noting that the Treasury had been unable to say when fully professional supply arrangements would be in place in all Whitehall departments, the committee recommended that it agree firm timetables with each department

Only 40 of the 8,000 purchasing and supply staff employed by government departments are members of the Institute of Procurement and Supply.

The committee said: "The achievement of a more professional purchasing and supply organization is dependent upon purchasing and supply staff acquiring professional expertise. We emphasize the importance of proper training for purchasing and supply staff, and the need to issue formal written guidance so that improved practices are quickly established

"The Treasury were unwilling to put a figure on the additional cost of procurement and supply to the taxpayer from the failure of departments in the 1970s to adopt the best private sector practices.

"On the basis of the current 5 per cent savings target it is likely in our view to have been considerable."

Committee of Public Accounts: The Government's Purchasing Initiative (Stationery Office; £5.70).

Inventors for real life

Paul Dagley-Morris and Beverly Waugh with the awards they received yesterday in the Young Engineers for Britain competition. Amidst all this imaginative creativity on display from the young inventors, none more than 19 years old, there was a blunt feminine practicality about Miss Waugh's reason for devising equipment to remove and replace chucks on lathes, which won her the special £200 prize for girl engineers offered by Women in Science and Engineering (Robin Young writes). "I dropped a chuck on my finger", she said, "and that made me think something was needed to make the job easier and safer". The winner of the title, Young Engineer of the Year 1988, had personal reasons for his invention, too. Mr Dagley-Morris, aged 17, from Cheltenham College, developed his Rapidcall, a radio-controlled panic button for the elderly which will operate existing alarm systems, after his grandmother went into an old people's home. Rapidcall is now patented, and an international conglomerate is interested in marketing it. Presenting the awards, Sir Peter Walters, chairman of British Petroleum, said that Rapidcall was "highly commercial and extremely relevant to real life".

(Photograph: Mark Pepper)

Image-makers to boost low police morale

By Stewart Tendler, Crime Reporter

London's police feel beleaguered, confused about the point of their work and divided among themselves, according to a report on the image of the Metropolitan Police commissioned by Scotland Yard and published yesterday.

The report, by Wolff Olins, a company specializing in improving corporate images, is based on a £150,000, six-month survey of 250 police and community leaders. It shows that changes are still needed despite wide police reforms since the Scarman report and the Policy Studies Institute report on the London force.

The report discovered universal criticism of the complaints system, denigration of publicly praised street patrol policemen by other specialist officers, stifling promotion procedures and a recognition among police that a minority of officers continue to treat the public with aggression.

The report said: "This minority who are rude or insensitive create an atmosphere for the whole of the Met which deeply embarrasses the majority."

The report called *A Force for Change: A report on the corporate identity of the Metropolitan Police* said: "The attitude of the Met towards the world in which it works can best be described as wary. Many policemen and women feel beleaguered and misunderstood." The report found the poor complaints system was a big focus of dissatisfaction.

Should a member of the public want to complain he may be greeted unhelpfully and enter a shabby station in which notices are stuck at random on walls.

On the positive side, the report found that 69 per cent of Londoners think the police do a very good or fairly good job although this percentage drops among non-white groups. However, community leaders felt police attitudes were improving.

The report is being seen as an important assessment of the voice of the force. It is expected to become the first stage in the creation of a new image for the force, aimed at bolstering public and police confidence.

The Yard will not comment until after a high-level conference next month which is expected to back a the recommendations of Wolff Olins. The first step would be the appointment of a senior officer to make management changes and find methods of rewarding good work. This would be followed by design changes.

Wolff Olins has already worked for the DTI Department of Trade and Industry and Bovis. Within a few years London police could have new uniforms, insignia and redesigned stations.

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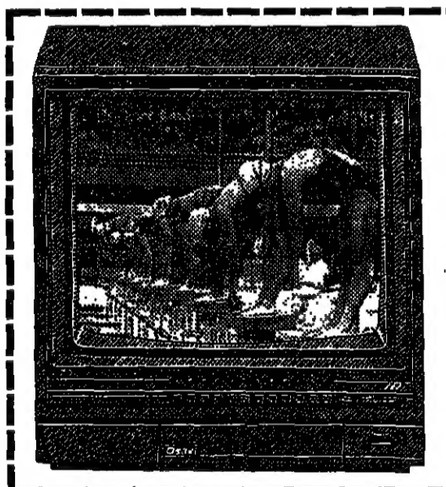

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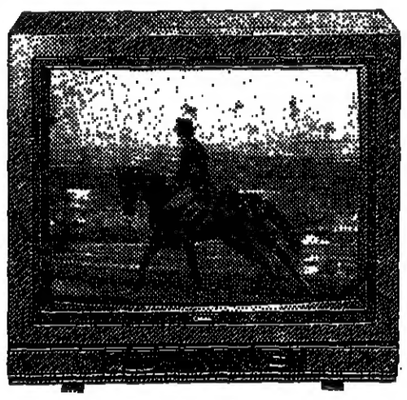

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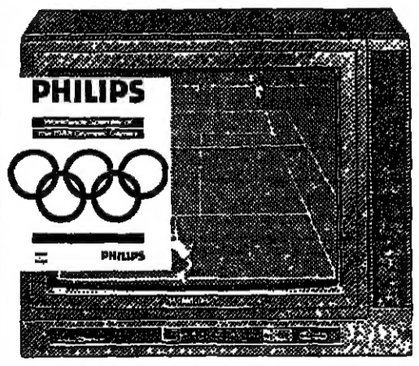

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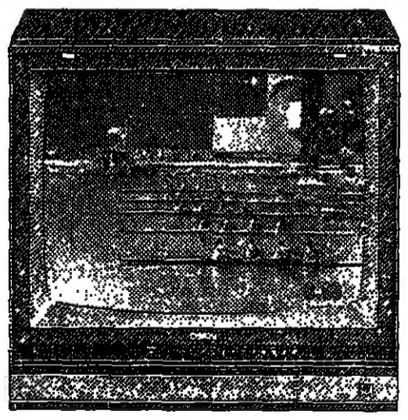

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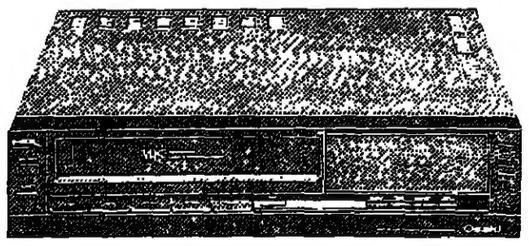

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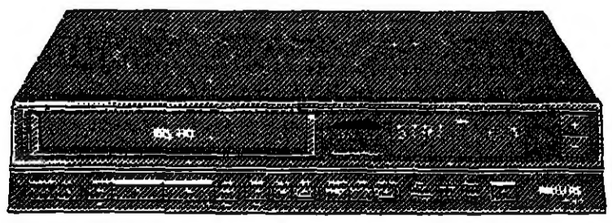

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Warning on cuts to radio services

By Richard Evans, Media Editor

A warning to the Foreign Office about the dangers of closing down any of the BBC's foreign language radio services was given yesterday by Mr John Tusa, managing director of the World Service.

He told the Royal Institute of International Affairs that the World Service had suffered too much over the years from "chopping and changing — usually chopping", with politicians tempted to try to fine tune broadcasting as if "it can be switched on and off like a tap".

Speaking on the fiftieth anniversary of the setting up of the BBC French and German services, Mr Tusa said that since World War II Foreign Office policy makers appeared to understand "the value of broadcasting to the enemy rather better than the value of talking to friends".

The Foreign Office, which provides the £110 million budget for the World Service, often failed to realize the importance of maintaining services which could suddenly become important in the event of an unforeseen crisis, he said.

"It was after all in 1981 that the Spanish and Brazilian services were heavily cut, despite BBC and other protests. The cuts became operative on the very day the Task Force sailed for the Falklands. If in doubt the opt for continuity.

"Less than a decade ago, the BBC Burmese Service was listed for closure. Today diplomats in Rangoon assess that 90 per cent of Burmese tune in and trust it", he said.

Nobody was very good at identifying the next world crisis, Mr Tusa said, and — quoting remarks made 30 years ago by Sir Ian Jacob, then BBC director-general, he added that seeking to save the cost of a particular language service on the grounds that problems in the country involved were unlikely to arise "is like an attempt to pick out the notes of a piano keyboard which will not be wanted".

Mr Tusa added: "Thirty years later, Jacob's remarks still hold good and have been vindicated by time and experience. The great languages of French and German represent major notes on the keyboard of international communications. It is imperative we should continue to be able to play them."

Coastguards 'miss Mayday calls'

Mayday calls are being missed by Britain's coastguards because of ineffective radio listening equipment, it was claimed yesterday.

The coastguards fear it could take another major tragedy such as Zeebrugge or Piper Alpha to bring their message home. They say they are no longer able to operate efficiently, causing delays and putting lives at risk.

"At best, time is lost, at worst it's lives", Mr Andy Cory, vice-chairman of the coastguards committee of the National Union of Civil and Public Servants and a staff officer at Brixham station, Devon, said.

"I worry that someone is going to shout Mayday, we'll miss it and only later will a ship report bodies floating in the sea."

The crisis was discussed yesterday by 22 union delegates at a meeting in London. Their fears are caused by the weight of work now being placed on the remaining 24 stations around Britain. Three of those are under threat of closure.

"The way this equipment operates means that any number of calls can come in at once; they're all channelled into one headset. A routine call being made by one boat might totally override a Mayday from another and we won't know anything about it", Mr Cory said.

He said recently that Falmouth, one of the busiest stations in the country, had six calls on the distress channels come in at once, leaving one casual auxiliary coastguard to try to decipher them.

"It's a bit like trying to listen to Radios 1, 2, 3 and 4 and Luxembourg at the same time and pick out who's saying what. It's just impossible", Mr Cory said.

Bird lovers fight plan for 30,000 new houses

National and regional conservation groups yesterday outlined their environmental objections to the south-east Dorset structure plan which proposes the development of nearly 30,000 houses in the region over the next 15 years.

At a public meeting in Bournemouth groups including the Nature Conservation Council and the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds told of their concern for the future of local heathlands.

Mr Jim White, spokesman for the Dorset branch of the Nature Conservation Council, said: "Special measures are required to protect valuable areas of low heathland. They are of global importance because of the wide variety of wildlife they preserve."

The conservation groups fear that if heathland are destroyed species such as sand lizards and smooth snakes could be lost forever.

Mr John Waldon, south-west conservation officer for the RSPB, said: "We are very concerned that new developments at Holton Heath and Sandford have had serious effects on rare birds such as the Dartford warbler, nightjar and wood lark".

The public meeting, which will also cover employment and transportation, is expected to last two weeks.

Civilians reject counsel claims that they muddled sequence of events

SAS version of shootings challenged by witnesses

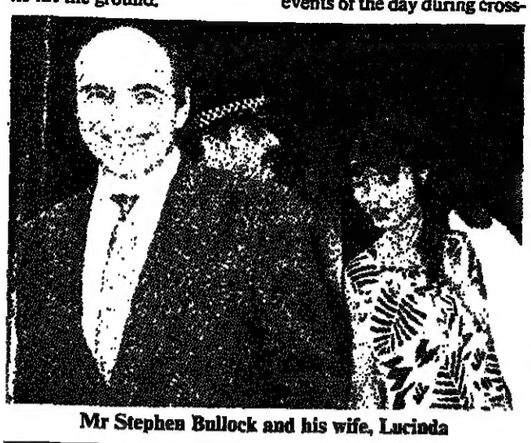
From Tony Dawe, Gibraltar

Two witnesses to the shooting of three IRA terrorists in Gibraltar disputed yesterday the evidence given by the SAS soldiers who carried out the killings.

Mrs Josie Celecia told the inquest into the deaths that she heard shots fired while one of the terrorists, Daniel McCann, lay on the ground. The soldiers who killed him, known only as A and B, have said they stopped firing before he hit the ground.

Mr Stephen Bullock described how two other soldiers, known as C and D, watched the shooting before running after another terrorist, Sean Savage, and killing him. They have said that they were about to arrest Savage when the first shots were fired behind them and out of their sight.

Both witnesses, who featured in the television film *Death on the Rock*, were accused of muddling the events of the day during cross-



Mr Stephen Bullock and his wife, Lucinda

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examination by Mr Michael Hucker, representing the seven SAS soldiers involved in the operation. He said they had been overheard discussing the case before giving evidence yesterday morning and he would call a police officer to give details of the conversation.

In spite of the cross-examination and Mr Hucker's constant mispronunciation of her name, Mrs Celecia stuck to the story of what she saw from her first floor flat overlooking the Shell petrol station where McCann and the leader of the gang, Mairead Farrell, were shot. She said she had noticed the couple but then turned to look at children in an adventure playground.

"I heard two loud bangs. I was looking where they had come from and I saw the man and the woman on the ground," Mrs Celecia said.

"I then heard further shots from that direction. There was a man on the pavement with his hands pointing towards the couple. I was just hearing loud bangs and I didn't see a gun."

She was shown pictures of the scene taken by her husband a few minutes after the shooting and asked to identify the man she had seen pointing at the couple on the ground. She said he was not in the picture but Mr Hucker said that both soldiers A and B were clearly visible close to the bodies.

She also said that she saw Farrell and McCann carrying motor-cycle crash helmets, one red and one black, which were later placed on the wall in front of the petrol station. The inquest has been told however, that two policemen later arrived at the scene on motorcycles and placed their helmets, one red and one black, on the wall.

Mr Hucker suggested to Mrs Celecia: "The truth is that you have got a muddled version of events and it has become embroidered over the months". Mrs Celecia replied: "I am just saying what I saw".

Mr Bullock, an English barrister working in Gibraltar, described how he was taking a stroll with his pregnant wife and young daughter when a man pushed past him. He said the man had a gun sticking out of the back of his jeans and met up with another man at a road junction.

"At that point, the police car we had passed earlier pulled out of the line of traffic, went down the wrong side of the road and as it drew level with us it turned its siren on", Mr Bullock said.

"Almost simultaneously, I heard a sudden burst of shots at the petrol station. The siren came first, then almost within a split second the first of the shots. I saw a man standing on the road almost at the edge of the pavement with another man four feet away. The man on the pavement was reeling backwards and the man standing in the road was firing very rapidly.

"As the shooting stopped outside the petrol station, I looked back towards the two men I had seen before it started. They both turned and ran round the corner and there was another very long burst of shooting.

"At that point I dived down beside the wall, and pulled my wife and the pushchair down beside me."

Mr Hucker referred to previous evidence from a police inspector in the patrol car who had said it passed the petrol station before the shooting began and to the evidence of soldiers C and D that they had not witnessed the shooting of Farrell and McCann. He suggested to Mr Bullock that he got the events out of sequence.

Mr Bullock said he did not accept this.

Mrs Lucinda Bullock, his wife, said she could not be certain whether the firing started before or after the police car had pulled out. She said: "There was so much going on and my immediate concern was for my child".

The inquest continues.

Mrs Josie Celecia, who gave evidence yesterday, with her husband, Douglas

Anger over jobs for life

Strike ballot on dockers' holidays

By Tim Jones, Employment Affairs Correspondent

About 9,000 dockers are to vote on whether to hold a number of 24-hour strikes to back a claim for more holidays after more than 200 Conservative backbenchers tabled a motion calling for the abolition of the National Dock Labour Scheme

The MPs believe the Government should risk a national dock strike in order to end the "jobs for life" scheme, which employers say has driven trade to continental ports and prevented the creation of 50,000 jobs.

The campaign will be intensified at the Conservative Party conference after figures from the National Association of Port Employers have shown that in some ports dockers, who were paid on average £357 a week, have been under-employed by between 20 to 25 hours a week. At the conference the case for abolition will be put to a fringe meeting by Mr Leon Brittan, the former Home Secretary.

In Newcastle dockers were this year putting in an average of 16.6 hours a week to receive £239, which included three hours of overtime. Employers say overmanning and inefficiency mean that while a tonne of cargo in Amsterdam can be unloaded for £2.50 to £3.50, British costs vary from £7 to £15.

Mr Malcolm Thornton, Conservative MP for Crosby, said yesterday: "The scheme is an anachronism. In just one port, Liverpool, it has cost employers hundreds of thousands of pounds and scared business away.

"We believe the Government must now tackle this problem head on although there appears to be a certain reluctance to do so."

Employers say ports which are not in the scheme, are highly efficient, competitive and offer secure long-term employment for their workforce.

Frustration has been heightened by the National Dock Labour Board, which administers the scheme. It is divided equally between employers and unions so deadlock is common.

The strike ballot, which will be completed next week, is over a claim for a 30-day holiday. Employers have offered an additional day, giving 22 days, and have linked the offer with a demand for the end of the system of paying the men in cash.

Revolt grows over women priests

By Clifford Longley, Religious Affairs Editor

The first steps towards a split in the Church of England over the ordination of women will be taken at a meeting this weekend of churchmen opposed to the move who claim they have the support of nearly a third of the ministry.

The committee will meet in Oxfordshire to discuss proposals which emerged at a private conference last June attended by 250 churchmen. It approved a resolution stating that the Church of England and the Church in Wales "do not have the authority to proceed with the ordination of women to the priesthood".

In a report arising from the conference, the organizers identify several courses of action which they say are advisable. These include the withholding of money, setting up an alternative network of sympathetic bishops, a legal challenge to any decision of the General Synod to ordain women and putting local church assets out of the reach of those favouring women priests.

The group, which is as yet unnamed, proposes to hold a national conference in York early next year when the proposals will be submitted.

The overwhelming view of the June conference at Keble College, Oxford, which the organizers have taken to be their mandate, was that opponents of women priests should stay within the Church of England, in a state of open revolt if necesary, rather than form a new church or join another.

In an introduction to the report, the organizers give a warning that if the ordination of women went ahead, the church "would be a church marked by internal dissension, civil disobedience and in some areas radical ungovernability", with divisions polarized at least for several generations.

The report notes a sharp fall in recruitment to the three Anglo-Catholic theological colleges, Chichester, Mirfield and St Stephen's House, Oxford, because of the controversy over women priests. Chichester, which has a normal annual intake of 26 ordinands, is down to four for the coming term. Mr Derek Pattinson, secretary general of the General Synod, who attended the Oxford conference, said the situation was "very serious indeed".

Jarre show proposals

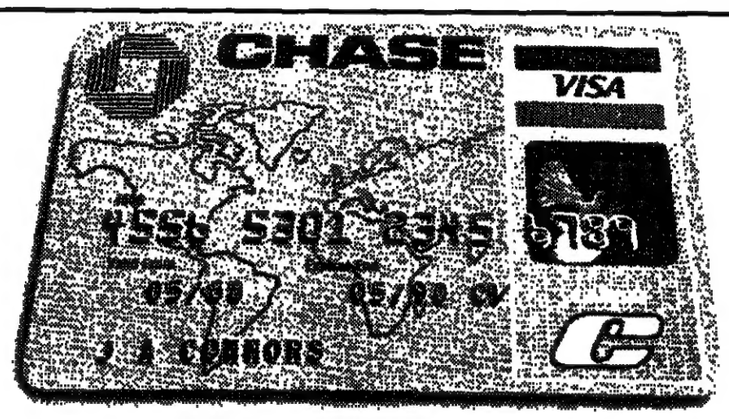
By Emma Wilkins

Jean Michel Jarre's docklands rock concert will not go ahead this weekend. However, Newham council, which blocked the concert on safety grounds, is considering a new application.

A meeting of the environment and planning committee will decide next Tuesday whether to accept Jarre's modified proposals for two concerts on October 8 and 9.

Councillor Fred Jones, leader of Newham council, said: "I think these new proposals have a chance of diluting the numbers of people coming into Newham".

However, the dates of the proposed concerts are causing confusion. The original application was for October 7 and 8. But, at a meeting earlier this week, Friday was rejected because flight traffic at London city airport would be disturbed by the laser show. Even the new proposal for a Sunday concert has hit problems because of legislation against Sunday trading.



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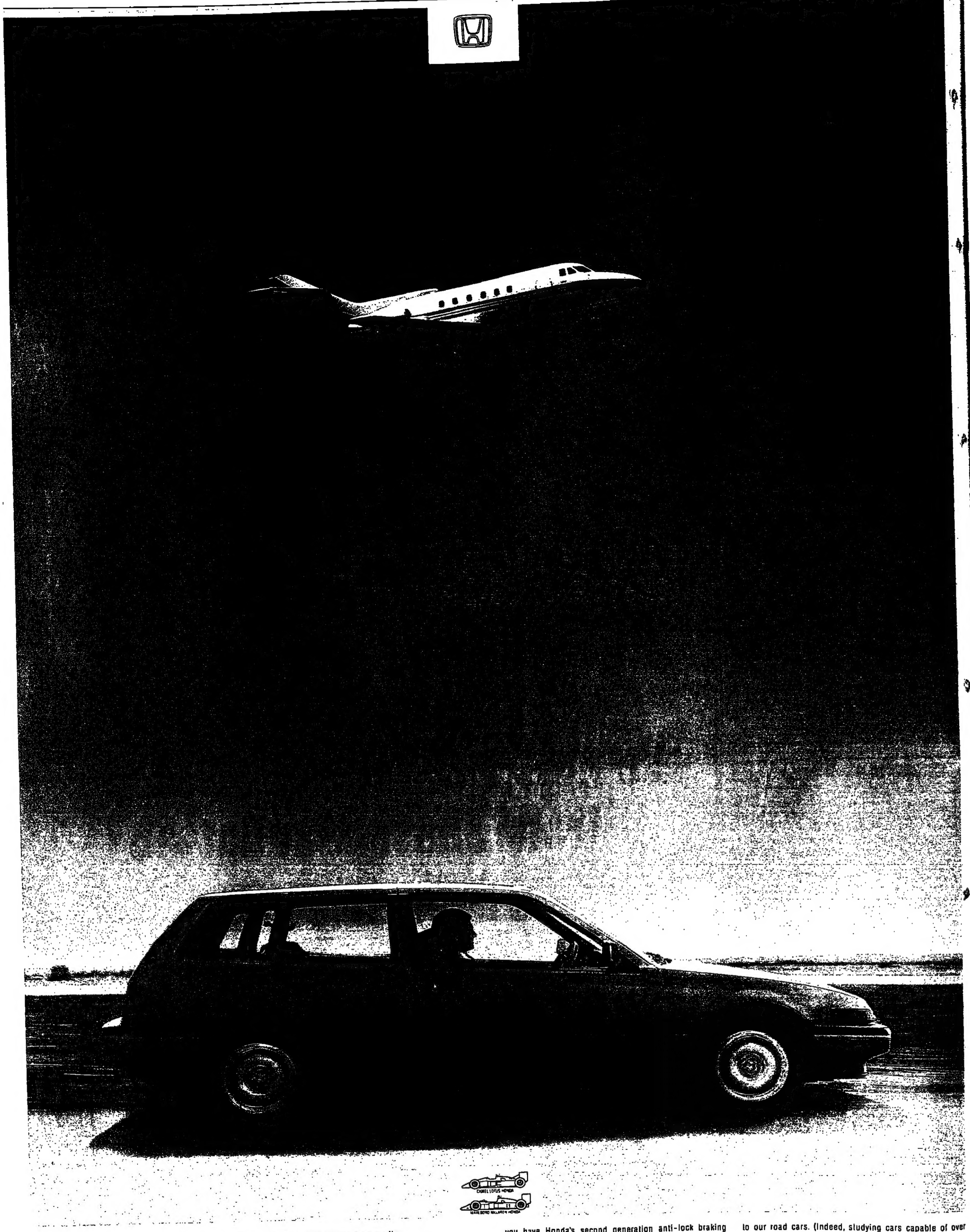

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Pretoria sets conditions on signing nuclear curbs pact

By Andrew McEwen, Diplomatic Correspondent

South Africa yesterday told Britain, the Soviet Union and the United States that it is willing in principle to sign the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty, but only with conditions which will probably be impossible to accept.

The three nations are known as the "depository powers" because the original copies of the 1970 treaty are deposited with them. A South African delegation led by Mr R.F. "Pik" Botha, the Foreign Minister, last month held separate talks with each of the three on the possibility of Pretoria's signing the pledge to refrain from building its own nuclear weapons.

Mr Botha surprised the three by acknowledging publicly that South Africa had the capability to make such weapons – something which had long been assumed. Yesterday it submitted a paper setting out its position more fully. It said that while it was willing to acceed to the treaty, it first wanted to clarify the responsibilities and privileges it would enjoy.

Western diplomatic sources said it was clear from the text that Pretoria wanted the right to buy civil nuclear technology and to sell its nuclear materials, including uranium, for signing the treaty. Any other new member of the NPT would receive this automatically, but South Africa is banned under a string of international accords.

One of these, signed by the Commonwealth heads of government in 1985, bans "new contracts for the sale of nuclear goods, materials and technology to South Africa".

The responsibilities which South Africa wants to "clarify" include the obligation under the treaty to open its nuclear establishments for inspection, to ensure that it is not producing weapons-grade nuclear materials.

It already allows such inspections at two plants, but not at a third, the Valindaba research centre, which remains secret. The sources said the three powers would want to be absolutely sure that Pretoria would accept inspections at all plants.

Pretoria delivered its paper to representatives of the three powers at the annual conference of the International Atomic Energy Agency, which opened yesterday in Vienna.

Delegates from black African states hope to pass a resolution to expel South Africa from the IAEA, but the British Government is opposed to this, saying that the NPT should not be affected by regional issues.

The timing of South Africa's submission is being seen by some black African delegates as a diversionary move. But the three depository powers want South Africa both to remain in the IAEA and to sign the NPT.

In a joint statement yesterday they said: "Such accession we strongly believe is in the best interest of all countries of the region and of the world as a whole."

The sources said that the prize of securing South Africa's agreement not to produce nuclear weapons was more important than what would be an essentially emotional gesture in excluding it from another international forum.

But unless South Africa made a gesture to molify its critics within the IAEA, pressure for expulsion could become too strong to contain.

Previous attempts to expel it have come to nothing, but earlier this year it became clear that the issue turned on whether Pretoria would agree to sign the treaty.

Accession to the treaty has not previously been a condition for membership of the IAEA. Neither France nor China has signed it, but both belong to the agency.

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Activists 'threatened with re-arrest'

From Our Own Correspondent, Johannesburg

Mrs Winnie Mandela, wife of Nelson Mandela, the jailed African National Congress leader, claimed yesterday that the South African authorities had threatened to re-arrest three black activists enjoying sanctuary in the United States Consulate if they did not accept a one-way ticket out of the country.

In Cape Town, meanwhile, the police detained 11 other activists, all members of the United Democratic Front, a loose alliance of anti-apartheid bodies which has been banned from all political activity. The three men in the American Consulate are linked to the front.

Speaking after spending 45 minutes with the three men, Mrs Mandela said that because of the alleged threat they were "in no position to trust any other assurances that are made at this stage".

This was a reference to a statement issued last week on behalf of Mr Adriaan Vlok, the Minister of Law and Order, that the Government no longer needed to detain the three men.

They had escaped from their police guards while undergoing physiotherapy treatment at a hospital here.

The statement said that the men would not be arrested if they left the Consulate.

"On the very first night they spent at the American (Consulate), the offer that came from the Government at 11 p.m. was that they should leave the country by 12 o'clock, and that if they did not do so they were liable for the most severe action," Mrs Mandela said.

If they did not accept, "the Government was going to bombard this building with their security forces and they were going to be re-detained".

A Law and Order Ministry spokesman said last night that the allegations were untrue.

As far as the police were concerned, the three men could "leave the (Consulate) premises "today".

Gandhi brings peace offer to Punjab

Mr Rajiv Gandhi, the Indian Prime Minister, talking to children dressed in traditional costume during a one-day visit to the troubled state of Punjab yesterday. Although his appearance was heavily guarded and thinly attended, Mr Gandhi took the opportunity to announce a new Punjab peace initiative, including an all-party meeting in Delhi (Kuldip Nayar writes). He said that the Government would restore popular rule in Punjab, but before calling state assembly elections would assess whether there was a "conducive atmosphere" by holding elections to *panchayats* (village councils). "I have come to Punjab to pay homage to all those people, irrespective of party affiliation, who have faced bullets of the terrorists while defending the integrity of the country," he said, praising in particular the Bhartiya Janata party and the Communists. He also promised government action against harassment, a reference to the common complaint that in pursuing terrorism the police extort money and intimidate members of the public. Without mentioning Pakistan by name, he said that "certain foreign forces" had tried to foment communal riots in Punjab.

Total blackout looms as strike spreads throughout French public TV

From Susan MacDonald
Paris

Journalists, technicians and administrative staff at the French state television channel, Antenne 2, went on strike yesterday, reducing the station to its obligatory minimum service of two news programmes a day.

The strikers are expected to be joined today by news staff on the other public television channel, FR3, and by FR3 technicians on Monday. Unless an agreement is reached, the shutdown of the public broadcasting service will be complete by Tuesday, when staff under the control of Radio-France, including Radio-France Internationale – the French equivalent of the BBC World Service – come out on strike.

The strike is over the disparity in wage payments between the private and public channels, but is also a product of staff discontent over government policy on broadcasting.

The six television stations, both private and public, compete – with an almost identical diet of old films and foreign series – for revenue from advertising which they are all allowed to carry.

The decision by Antenne 2 to lure a top newsreader, Christine Ockrent, from a rival private channel by offering her a salary of £140,000 triggered the strike. Mlle Ockrent's salary is four times what established Antenne 2 news staff are earning. Those lower down the scale earn in a year what she does in a month.

Mlle Ockrent is working on throughout the strike. She reads the evening news which Antenne 2 is obliged by law to transmit.

Last-minute offers to review salaries failed to avert the stoppage. Strikers want a new overall wage structure, better working conditions and a definition by the Government of the role of public television. Are they supposed to remain in competition with the richer private channels without the money needed to succeed? Or should they provide an alternative service, creating French-made documentaries, drama, children's and cultural programmes?

In 1982, the Socialist Government set up a broadcasting authority designed to end direct political interference in radio and television. New heads of public channels were installed.

On coming to power in 1986, the conservatives disbanded the authority, which was considered too left-wing, and installed their own. The state TV chiefs were changed again.

At the same time, the Socialists and the conservatives handed out licences to new private stations, in which both Mr Robert Maxwell and the Italian television magnate, Signor Silvio Berlusconi, have a stake.

The new Socialist Government is preparing a Bill to sweep away the conservative broadcasting authority. M Michel Rocard, the Prime Minister, has been holding inter-party consultations in what he says is an attempt to create an independent authority, which will set down new regulations for broadcasting. Until the new authority is established, the Government does not wish to continue the ritual of appointing its own men at the top.

In a television debate on the future of television recently, there were complaints that the few quality programmes are shown late at night. However, it was made clear that the sole criteria of the channels is ratings, and for them what most French people want are old films or high-stake quiz shows.

WORLD ROUNDUP

Soldiers' revolt spreads in Haiti

Port-au-Prince (AP) – A left wing coalition called a demonstration yesterday amid widening revolts by soldiers and workers, apparently in a popular uprising against the vestiges of ousted Lieutenant Geneneral Henri Namphy's military rule. The soldiers' revolt began on Sunday when General Namphy was removed and spread after the new regime of Lieutenant General Prosper Avril failed to expel army commanders who had been left in place.

Rank-and-file soldiers in at least 11 army and police units around the country have mutinied and removed their officers. "We will chase out the army of all supporters of Namphy, Manigat and Duvalier," a Port-au-Prince policeman said in a radio interview. Yesterday radio stations aaid civilian workers at the state electricity company, port authority and flour mill had gone on strike.

British fugitive fined

Boston (AP) – A British citizen, who was captured in Rome in May after five years as a fugitive, was fined £14,705 after admitting violating export controls by selling computer equipment to Eastern Bloc countries. In an arrangement with the US Justice Department, Brian Moller Butcher, from London, pleaded guilty to five counts of violating the Commodities Control Act by funneling computer and laboratory equipment through Britain to Poland, Bulgaria and Romania. Fourteen other counts were dropped.

The Justice Department contended that the items were computer processors that had military applications, but Butcher maintained the equipment was "low-technology" Hewlett-Packard test equipment that could have been purchased in a number of countries but was cheaper in the United States.

Gemayel seeks help

West Beirut – President Amin Gemayel flew to Damascus yesterday to seek help from President Assad of Syria in Lebanon's political crisis a day before the presidential elections (Juan Carlos Gumucio writes). President Assad's two choices for the presidency have been swiftly vetoed by Christian politicians sympathetic to Israel.

The unexpected trip aroused considerable hope in Beirut, where tension had been increasing as politicians tried in vain not only to find a candidate acceptable to Christians and Muslims, but at least to agree on the venue for today's vote. President Gemayel was expected to meet leaders of the Christian and Muslim opposition who had also been summoned for last-minute talks under Syrian auspices.

Bolivia clears decks

La Paz (AP) – President Victor Paz Estenssoro of Bolivia has reorganized his Cabinet to allow ministers who will run in the May 1989 presidential and congressional elections to campaign for office. All 17 ministers resigned on Tuesday, and Señor Paz Estenssoro later named 13 to their former posts. He said he would continue his economic programme has lowered inflation from 24,000 per cent four years ago to an estimated 20 per cent for 1988; it has involved liberalizing the economy, ending all price supports, a 95 per cent devaluation and a tenfold increase in petrol prices.

Plea on Cambodia

A dozen Nobel laureates, including the British author, Sir William Golding, and Archbishop Desmond Tutu of South Africa, appealed to the UN Secretary General yesterday to cease recognition of the coalition Government of Cambodia in favour of the Vietnamese-backed regime in Phnom Penh (Nicholas Beeston writes). In a letter delivered to Señor Javier Pères de Cuéllar in New York the scientists, writers and peace activists urged the international community to reject the credentials of the Government, which is dominated by the Khmer Rouge, led by Pol Pot.

Pressure mounts on Tokyo to cut £116m aid to Burma

From Edward Gorman, Bangkok

As Western governments react to the deepening crisis in Burma by suspending aid to Rangoon, the Japanese Government – by far the biggest donor – is coming under increasing pressure to follow suit.

Japanese assistance programmes account for about 70 per cent of Burma's overseas aid and are valued in Tokyo at up to 50 billion yen (about £116 million) annually. The projects include a major development at Rangoon airport, building rice storage centres, and a programme for training forestry workers.

With other overseas donor countries, Japan has made no formal decision to end its aid, but has suspended involvement "until Burma attains liberty and democracy."

Japanese sources here say they believe that Tokyo lacks the courage to take the policy to its logical conclusion with a formal suspension of aid to a government it has long considered an ally. One well placed observer said: "The policy is changing day by day, but the Government still doesn't have enough confidence to carry it out."

Some Western diplomats say that the Japanese have continued their involvement despite the informal suspension. "They say it's too small to make any difference," said one diplomat, "which isn't true. Compared to everyone else, it is significant."

The Japanese position is seen as difficult because they invested relatively heavily in Ne Win's authoritarian regime over 10 years and are now reluctant to burn their boats in case he may yet ride out the crisis. "They have a big investment in Burma, which they consider their backyard," the diplomat said. "They thought Ne Win would be able to hang in there."

Mr Shiro Hirohata, an official at the Japanese Embassy here, said that the aid decision was still being assessed: "We are a little hesitant to use the stoppage of aid to put pressure on the Burmese, because it will affect not only the Government but the people as well."

What is seen by many Burmese as Japanese vacillation has won them few friends among the Burmese Opposition. Dr Chaya Choke Churasiriwong, a Burma expert at Chulalongkorn University here, said: "They seem to be disappointing the Opposition a lot because they say they have not come out strongly enough against the Government."

Almost all other Western countries involved have made informal decisions to suspend aid. There has been no official US aid to Burma since July, and on Monday the Assistant Secretary of State, Mr Gaston Sigur, recommended that the programmes, worth about $12.2 million (£7 million), be cut off completely.

The Americans, who may still provide emergency assistance, are third behind the West Germans in terms of total budget devoted to Burma. West Germany suspended all assistance (totalling about £22 million) at the end of August on the grounds that the Burma Socialist Programme Party was violating human rights. Much smaller Australian and British projects have also been suspended.

Western embassies here are resigned to the suspension of aid having a negligible impact on the country's rulers, reflecting its isolationist policy for much of the last 26 years. Even in the case of the Japanese, this policy has restricted foreign investment and ensured that no outside country acquired leverage over the Government.

"We want to make clear that we do not approve of what is going on, and this is the only way of doing it," an American diplomat said. "It is not the money *per se* that's going to make any difference, but theinternational opprobrium of what the Government is doing that might have an impact."

Another observer said it was as important to register disapproval with the military regime as it was to send signals of support to Opposition leaders. "They may be the government we deal with in the future," he said.

Bangkok (Reuter) – Gunfire echoed through Rangoon and Mandalay again yesterday as the military clashed with opponents to their rule.

Opposition forces vowed no return to work until a pro-democracy government was named. Meanwhile General Saw Maung, leader of Sunday's military coup, assumed the prime ministership in addition to the foreign affairs and defence portfolios he had already taken over.

Hong Kong election

Democracy for the few

From Chris Pomery, Hong Kong

Hong Kong goes to the polls today for only the second round of legislative elections in its 147-year history.

But this dynamic colony is hardly bubbling with excitement about its continuing courtship with democracy. Only 16,833 people of a population of 5.5 million are eligible to vote for the 13 contested seats.

Political realities are changing fast in Hong Kong these days, despite the low-key elections, as the realization sinks in that China has no intention of allowing a power vacuum to develop as Britain withdraws from its last significant colony in the run-up to the hand-over of sovereignty in 1997.

Five years ago, Sir Edward Youde, the then governor, indicated that the Government was committed to introducing universal franchise elections as a priority. Today, as China takes the political initiative during the extended drafting process of the Basic Law, its post-1997 mini-constitution for Hong Kong, the Government stresses caution over experiment.

Despite diplomatic promises agreed by Britain and China that the legislature would be "constituted by elections" after 1997, electoral reform and full democracy now have a lower priority.

The Government announced in February that the first direct ballot elections would not be introduced until 1991, and then only for a minority of seats. Meanwhile, the electoral system in use today would tax the most imaginative psephologist.

For years the colonial governor appointed his legislature. Then, in 1985, two innovations were made. Selected professionals, like accountants, lawyers and teachers, were allowed to vote one of their number into what the Government calls "functional constituencies"; and district councils were paired off into "geographical constituencies", allowing councillors to promote one member to the legislature.

Mr Martin Lee: Unopposed as the lawyers' candidate.

With less than 2 per cent of the population eligible to vote, only half of those eligible have registered for today's election. That drops the electorate from 100,000 to just 61,519.

As half of the elected seats, including those of such outspoken pro-democrats as the lawyers' Mr Martin Lee, QC, and Mr Szeto Wah of the teachers, are unopposed, the potential voter figure drops to about 16,833. Assuming a turnout no worse than 1985, today's 13 contested seats will be allocated through the actual votes of just 9,000 people.

A few years ago, the Government touted gradual democracy as part of a learning process designed to propel Hong Kong out of its deliberately fostered political apathy, and into a new role thrust upon it by the transition to 1997 as a stand-alone capitalist enclave in the world's largest communist state.

The system is already showing the strains. In one geographical constituency, some local councillors have taken to polling residents to find out for whom they should vote. Others have objected, saying that such an indirect way of searching for a direct mandate hampers their ability to choose the right candidate.

Only one campaign has lived up to true election standards. This is the functional constituency for the Hong Kong General Chamber of Commerce, where Mr Jimmy McGregor, a former director, is being challenged by Miss Veronica Wu, a businesswoman.

"I'm facing a machine," says Mr McGregor of his opponent's backers, members of a conservative caucus group of local businessmen known as the Group of 88, who form the backbone of an important consultative committee working on the draft Basic Law.

Mr McGregor, who favours early direct elections, continues: "This election is not about people, it's about forces."

"Actually it's the other way," Miss Wu claims. "We're not pro-Chinese, we're pro-Hong Kong," she says, stressing that co-operation may be more fruitful in the long run than conflict.

Ecological battle puts Corfu holidays at risk

From Mario Modiano
Athens

An "ecological war" between the Athens Government and the country's north-western provinces is posing problems for thousands of British holidaymakers who flock to the island of Corfu to bask in the warm September sun.

All the shops, banks and offices on the island of 100,000 people, will close today for three days as Corfu joins the revolt of Thesprotia, the mainland province across the waterway, against a plan to dump sewage into the river Kalamas. The river, reputed to be one of the cleanest in Europe, winds its way through Thesprotia and flows into the two-mile wide channel that separates it from Corfu.

"We have declared a general strike for Thursday, Friday and Saturday," Mr Yiannis Kourkoulos, the Mayor of Corfu said. "This is only a warning. If the Government does not recant by Monday, we have decided to close the airport and our ports on September 27 and 28."

An estimated 25,000 British tourists are on this popular island resort. Mrs Philippa Hughes, the British Consul, did not expect them to have much difficulty except in finding open restaurants or supermarkets. The real trouble is expected next week if the airport and ports are closed.

For the past 10 days Thesprotia, a farming district of 42,000 people bordering on Albania, has been cut off from the rest of Greece both by land and sea, as its inhabitants protested against the project to channel the sewage of the neighbouring town of Ioannina into the river.

In Igoumenitsa, the provincial capital, all ferry services to Corfu and Italy were suspended and bus services halted. Lorries and tractors were used as roadblocks along the main roads, locking thousands of vehicles into gigantic traffic jams.

Shops, schools and banks remain closed. Public buildings have been taken over by a Citizens' Action Committee which now runs this town of 10,000. Every evening, in front of the deserted Prefecture people mass to discuss their problems, especially the growing food and fuel shortages.

Two farmers, who were staging a hunger strike outside the Prefecture, collapsed and were taken to hospital on Tuesday, but 40 other hunger-strikers in a neighbouring village are still holding out.

Foreign motorists, who were trapped in the district by the blockade, were helped to escape across mudtracks and fields.

The Greek Government, taken by surprise by the unusual vigour of the reaction to an ecological problem, backed down by offering to stop all construction work between Ioannina's biological treatment plant and the river for eight months to give experts time to consider alternative solutions for sewage disposal.

But the Thesprotians rejected the proposal yesterday and vowed to continue the blockade. Mr Alecos Fatsios, a member of the 17-man Action Committee, said: "We shall struggle until the Government agrees to rule out any solution that involves dumping sewage into the Kalamas river and Ioannina Lake."

The Prefect of Thesprotia, Mr Panayotis Kaltsas, said he did not believe those views reflected the will of the majority. "However, we face a serious impasse," he said. Police in the province were on full alert, but so far they had refrained from intervening.

BATTLE FOR THE WHITE HOUSE

Revelation of image makers' cynicism hits Bush campaign

From Michael Binyon, Washington

Administration officials have reacted with embarrassment to the disclosure of a taped strategy session by top Reagan campaign advisers who suggested on the eve of the 1984 election that Mr Reagan's popularity might be increased if he were shot in the toe. Many of these advisers are now working for Vice-President George Bush.

Mr Marlin Fitzwater, the White House spokesman, dismissed the remark as the common talk of political consultants "who are very colourful and an energetic breed". The Bush campaign advisers, who played key roles in shaping the 1984 campaign and image of President Reagan, will not comment.

But the candid irreverence and cynicism of the advisers' private discussions has added to public concern that presidential campaigns have become nothing more than a battle of the image-makers.

Three of the Reagan advisers at that meeting on June 30, 1984, are now working for this year's Republican ticket — Mr Stuart Spencer, who has taken charge of Senator Dan Quayle's vice-presidential campaign; Mr Bob Teeter, a top Republican pollster; and Mr Ken Khachigan, one of Mr Reagan's favourite speechwriters, who is now writing speeches for Mr Quayle.

Damaging extracts from the tape of their uninhibited discussions were published at the weekend in *The Washington Post*, and were broadcast on ABC Television. The uncanny resemblance to the current Republican campaign and the advisers' prescriptions for enhancing the image of Mr Bush have shocked many Americans. The tape began with the three advisers complaining that the White House had run out of ideas and did not have "a goddam thing in the pipeline."

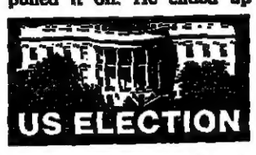
Mr Teeter said: "Four days digging around, and we found nothing. This is a national election. We've got to find something to say." Mr Khachigan suggested appealing to blue-collar Democrats: "One way I think we can do that this time is to do what the Democrats have done in the past: take these blue-collar guys, tell them you've brought economic recovery and success, and scare the shit out of them that if they go to Mondale ..."

Mr Spencer added: "The 'scare the shit out of them' part is very important."

They discussed with considerable irreverence a presidential visit to Florida and the Secret Service concern.

Mr Spencer: "For your information, *Ken and Bob*, they wanted, in Daytona, all the firecracker (unintelligible) and all the Rednecks, they wanted to go through every (expletive) van. They would've found grass, booze, guns ... I mean they all love Reagan, all those Rednecks. They ain't gonna use a rifle on him. If he got a bullet in the toe, it would help the election, wouldn't it?"

They marvelled at Mr Reagan's ability to run against the very Government he headed. Mr Spencer: "Well, he can pull it off, though. In 1970 we pulled it off. He ended up



running against the California state government when he was Governor. He just believes he's above it all."

Mr Khachigan: "He believes he's above it all." Mr Spencer: "He believes it. That's why they believe it. I can't believe it, but they do."

They planned the impact of a Reagan visit to the United Nations.

Mr Khachigan: "You know what he ought to do in that UN speech ? You've got the Soviet Union that sits about two chairs away from us in the General Assembly.

"You ought to have him just point to them, and say, 'You know, there's not such a big gulf between us after all. In this building, it's only 6 ft from each other.'"

Mr Spencer: "Yeah, he'd probably point to the Puerto Ricans." (laughter on the tape).

Mr Khachigan: "You know he can do it. With Nixon you could never pull something like that off. Or with Ford — he'd point to some black. But with Reagan you can have it actually programmed into the speech — and have it done so that it looks like an ad lib, where he stops and looks up ..."

In the absence of any new initiatives, the groups toyed with ideas of their own. Mr Khachigan pointed out that "those low-income, blue-collar guys are coming to us basically for this macho (expletive). I mean they like his ass-kicking." Mr Spencer suggested that Mr Reagan could say something about "acid rain and all that stuff" since he was vulnerable on environmental issues.

But Mr Khachigan added: "We're better off without it. If you get the old man going on it, he does 'killer trees'" — referring to Mr Reagan's embarrassing assertion in 1980 that trees caused pollution.

The tape was leaked by one source to two journalists, Jane Mayer and Doyle McManus, who have just written a controversial book called *Landslide: The Unmaking of a President 1984-1988*, in which aides were quoted as suggesting that Mr Reagan should be removed from office in the middle of the Iran-Contra scandal because he was so depressed and distracted.

● **Health scheme:** Governor Michael Dukakis has outlined an ambitious health insurance scheme to guarantee, for the first time, adequate health coverage for most American workers and their families.

The scheme, modelled on one which he introduced recently in Massachusetts, would be funded by compulsory employer contributions. It would give health insurance to an estimated 22 million of the 37 million people who now have no cover and are often unable to pay for medical treatment.

To emphasize his proposal, Mr Dukakis earlier visited critically ill babies in an intensive care unit, and heard unemployed steelworkers at a waiting room in a local hospital tell of their insurance worries

His plan is aimed specifically at middle-class Americans who do not qualify for the federally-funded Medicaid scheme which covers the poor and the elderly, and who have felt the effect of rising medical costs. It will be modelled on pending legislation sponsored by Senator Edward Kennedy.

The meeting that Noriega says never took place

This photograph shows a meeting between Mr George Bush, the US Vice-President, left, and General Manuel Noriega which the Panamanian leader claims never took place. The picture, taken in Panama airport's VIP lounge in December 1983, is to be screened tonight in Thames Television's *This Week* programme. In it a senior former Noriega aide claims that the Panamanian leader, who is wanted in the US on drug charges, has kept secret tape recordings of conversations with a US official which could severely embarrass Mr Bush. The Reagan Administration has been accused of ignoring evidence against General Noriega, while he has denied the allegations, and claims that he never met Mr Bush.

Turning back to nature to woo voters

From Our Own Correspondent, Washington

When Governor Michael Dukakis toured the fire-scarred forests of Yellowstone National Park last week, it was one more sign that the environment is one of this campaign's big issues.

In recent weeks both he and Vice-President George Bush have been battling hard to convince a worried American public of their commitment to clean up the nation's air, seas, rivers and waste dumps while attacking each other's records.

After fading from the political agenda, the environment roared back suddenly as a pressing issue this summer. Record drought and heat led to fears that the "greenhouse effect" had begun. Beaches were closed as syringes, blood phials and medical waste dumped illegally were washed ashore.

Smog in the cities was exacerbated by the heat. Scientists gave warnings of depleted ozone layers, dying lakes and forests, and pointed to critical levels of acid rain, while overseas the steady destruction of the rain forest and sudden death of the seals emphasized the warnings of the environmentalists.

Mr Bush, sensing the mood, moved quickly to distance himself from the poor Reagan record on the environment. He made a well-publicized visit to the polluted Boston harbour in Mr Dukakis's backyard and promised that if elected he would work to reduce acid rain, speed the clean-up of toxic wastes, strengthen enforcement of federal pollution regulations and bring a new "conservation ethic" to the White House.

He also pledged that he would end ocean dumping by 1991, prevent offshore oil drilling in sensitive areas, convene an international con-

> ● Mr Bush distanced himself from the poor Reagan record on environment ●

ference in the White House on global warming, acid rain and the ozone depletion, and appoint "the most qualified individuals in the land" to run the Environmental Protection Agency, the once fierce government watchdog all but emasculated by the Reagan Administration.

Mr Dukakis, who saw the environment as a natural Democratic issue — and one where President Reagan's infamous remark that trees caused pollution has underlined the controversial Republican record — angrily denounced the "last minute conversion" as electioneering.

He has already promised to create a Cabinet-level Department of the Environment, and enact the Clean Water Bill, which President Reagan vetoed last year.

But he has been embarrassed by the filth of Boston harbour, and has been accused of foot-dragging in getting it cleaned up. Some Massachusetts programmes have been weakly led and underfunded, and Mr Dukakis once applied for permits to dump his state's rubbish off New Jersey.

The Democrats, nevertheless, are determined to press home their advantage in assailing the Reagan record.

In his first four years, Mr Reagan relaxed dozens of environmental regulations and deadlines, favoured business and oil interests consistently over nature conservancy, and appointed officials so hostile to environmentalist issues that both Mr James Watt, the Secretary of the Interior, and Mrs Ann Burford, administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, were forced to leave office.

To the fury of the Canadians, he dragged his feet on acid rain. He refused to give US consent to the International Law of the Sea. And his Administration tried to cut the money for the Superfund to clean up toxic waste dumps.

In recent months the Administration has changed tack. An acid rain agreement with Canada was signed, and a large sum set aside for demonstration projects reducing sulphur emissions by coal burners. The US supported the Montreal agreement on chlorofluorcarbons and has outlawed aerosols.

The Environmental Protec-

> ● Mr Dukakis has been embarrassed by the filth of Boston harbour ●

tion Agency has proposed tougher rules on medical waste disposal, and has banned new factories in the Los Angeles area that might add to the pollution. At summit meetings, Mr Reagan has proposed co-operation with the Russians on the ozone layer and the "greenhouse effect".

Mr Lee Thomas, the present Environmental Protection Agency administrator, defended the Reagan record at the weekend, saying that since 1981 there had been "dramatic" decreases in air pollution, ambient levels of lead had gone down by 90 per cent, sulphur dioxide emissions by 40 per cent, and 95 per cent of sewage treament plants were now up to full treatment level.

Mr Thomas also insisted that as Vice-President, Mr Bush had asked him several times privately whether there was not more the US could do about acid rain. And he said Mr Bush had consulted him about the Environmental Protection Agency's using its authority to a greater extent to sue polluters.

However, Mr Dukakis has accused Mr Bush of saying different things to different audiences; promising Californians worried about their coastline a halt to off-shore drilling, while saying nothing of this to Texans. Mr Dukakis has also promised a more far-reaching national policy that emphasizes cleaner fuels such as natural gas and ethanol.

Mr Bush, has proclaimed: "I am an environmentalist". But he has acknowleged that he must do better than the Reagan record. For the Democrats to exploit this burgeoning green issue fully, Mr Dukakis must be more forceful in asking, on the environment: "Where was George?"

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Bofors win bonus on India cash

Stockholm (Reuter) — Sweden's tax authorities have ruled that the Bofors arms firm can claim as tax deductible a sum of £29.5 million which it has been accused of using as bribes.

Bofors allegedly paid the money as bribes to Indian officials when it was trying to secure a $760 million deal for Howitzer guns.

Student clash

Nairobi (Reuter) — Five-thousand university students clashed with riot police in a protest over Education Ministry plans to stop their allowances. The ministry later reversed the decision, but some demonstrations continued.

Death toll up

Dhaka — The death toll from intestinal disease caused by drinking contaminated flood water in Bangladesh rose to 350. Doctors say 700,000 are suffering from diarrhoea.

Crisis averted

Rome (AP) — Italy's top Mafia investigator, Signor Giovanni Falcone, withdrew his resignation, averting a crisis in the country's war on organized crime caused by a dispute over methods within the judiciary.

Caputo picked

New York (Reuter) — Argentina's Foreign Minister, Señor Dante Caputo, was elected president of the United Nations General Assembly.

Drugs seized

Madrid — Spain is urging the recall of an Equatorial Guinean Embassy diplomat found with a case of heroin and marijuana at Madrid airport.

Hungary firm

Budapest (Reuter) — Hungary rejected North Korea's accusation of treachery over Budapest's decision to open a permanent mission in Seoul, calling the move realistic.

Dam collapses

Lagos (AP) — A hundred thousand people were made homeless in Nigeria when a fourth dam collapsed in rain.

Lone Star State revels in its win-win situation

From Charles Bremner, Lubbock, Texas

The last few times around, whenever the Democratic candidate showed up in the West Texas cowboy country, the sheriff left town.

In the sprawling land of pick-up trucks and endless horizons, lily-livered liberals from the north like Mr Walter Mondale were not much welcome.

As Mr Billy Clayton, the former Democratic Speaker of Congress, puts it: "The days when Texans would vote for a communist ape if he was a Democrat are long over."

If he tried to go it alone here, Mr Michael Dukakis, the "clam-eating Greek from Boston", would probably fare little better. Though his immigrant origins and passable Spanish play well with younger *Latinos*, the benefit is outweighed by his origins in the misty North-east.

But this year, with Senator Lloyd Bentsen, a Texan favourite son, stumping for the Democrats and Mr George Bush, a Texan by adoption, campaigning here as a ten-gallon patriot and champion of the oil industry, the Lone Star State is taking centre stage in the campaign of 1988.

It is, as local politicians say, a win-win scheme for Texas, since both sides are piling on the promises.

No Democrat this century has won the White House without taking Texas, a state of 17 million people whose electoral clout is less only to that of the states of California and New York. And in no state are the personal stakes higher for the candidates.

A loss for Mr Bush in his adopted state would prove a humiliation. He began his working life here in the oil industry, and still claims Houston as his home town, although his address is only a rented hotel suite. If Mr Dukakis fails, his choice of Mr Bentsen, the patrician friend of Texan business, will be proved a failure.

Mr Bentsen was picked in a gamble not so much to balance the national ticket as for his ability to deliver his home state. While the Massachusetts governor is covering the continent, Mr Bentsen is spending the bulk of his time in Texas and surrounding states, where the Vice-President is now pushing ahead in the polls.

According to local surveys this week, Mr Bush is leading in Texas, but the state remains firmly in the toss-up column.

The fight is down and dirty, as they say here. The Bush strategy is to divert attention to patriotism, the governor's imputed lack of it, and the Pledge of Allegiance, issues which go down well with rural, conservative whites.

In a salvo last week, the Bush campaign sent slick brochures to 300,000 rural Texas voters with a picture of two children pledging their love of country and the headline: "Here are the words Dukakis doesn't want your child to have to say."

It also charges that Mr Dukakis would "give gays and

Mr Dukakis: Has problems with the 'Bubba' vote.

lesbians special privileges under the Civil Rights Act".

The Democrats are complaining about "gutter campaigning", but pollsters say that the Republicans have hit a "hot button", particularly with the "Bubba" vote. Bubba is the archetypal, gun-loving, God-and-country rural white man, the kind who think "Meltdown Mike" should stay north of Red River.

A headline in *The Dallas Morning News* proclaimed yesterday: "Bubba vote eluding Dukakis, polls say."

Mr Jim Shearer, the Bush campaign chairman for Texas, says, simply, that the successful candidate must make the voter comfortable "and Michael Dukakis is not going to pass the values test".

But equally, some local polls are showing that Texan Republicans are not comfortable with Mr Bush either. His aura of "wimp-hood" was not helped by his choice of Senatar Dan Quayle.

The governor and his local man are working hard to focus minds on the local economy, which is pulling only slowly out of depression triggered by the slump in oil prices. With banks failing daily and the oil price still low, the Republicans would prefer to talk about something else.

In a kind of continental schizophrenia on the touchy issue of off-shore oil drilling, Mr Bush opposes it in California, where it is unpopular, and favours it in Texas.

As chairman of the Senate finance committee, Mr Bentsen has given Mr Dukakis an *entrée* to the energy industry. He has promised an energy "summit" to be chaired by Mr Bentsen in January, if elected. The senator has a gilt-edged record as champion of oil — unlike Mr Dukakis — and loves saying that "Bush is an oilman who did nothing to help his own industry".

This year the key may lie in the hands of the swelling Hispanic population, which represents 1.3 million of the 7.75 million registered voters. Never have two presidential candidates eaten so many *tacos*, worn so many sombreros and laboured through so much Spanish.

Mr Bentsen grew up on the Rio Grande speaking Spanish at school. Mr Dukakis learnt his Spanish in Peru, and never loses a chance to run through his slogan: "*Paso a paso, mano a mano, vamos a ganar*" (Step by step, hand in hand, we are going to win).

Mr Bush's best Hispanic credential is his Mexican daughter-in-law, though he blundered last month by identifying his grandchildren as "the little brown ones".

A poll this week showed that Mr Bush was trailing the Democrat by 14 to 72 per cent among the normally low turnout Hispanics, but Mr Dukakis' problem persists: "He just doesn't show enough *corazon* (heart)," said Mr Jaime Gutierrez, a Lubbock farm worker.

Arafat's Cairo talks add impetus to drive for Palestinian pact

From Christopher Walker, Middle East Correspondent, Cairo

The pace of Middle East diplomacy quickened significantly yesterday as Mr Yassir Arafat made a long-heralded visit to Cairo for talks with President Mubarak on the eve of the Egyptian leader's whistle-stop tour of four European capitals, including London.

Mr Mubarak is to fly to Yugoslavia todayat the start of his trip which will also take in Britain, France and West Germany. He is scheduled to meet Mrs Thatcher on Monday amid hopes in moderate Arab circles that she can play an increasing role in the peace process.

The Cairo talks involving the leader of the Palestine Liberation Organization came amid fierce internal debate among Palestinians over proposals for a provisional government or *government-in-exile* to fill the vacuum in the occupied West Bank. King Husain of Jordan severed all legal and administrative links with the Israeli-held territory in July.

Making his second visit to the Egyptian capital in two years Mr Arafat denied suggestions that the government-in-exile option had been abandoned.

Mr Arafat, whose good personal relations with President Mubarak helped to pave the way for Egypt's return to the Arab fold, said that the options for a Palestinian government would be put forward at a meeting of the 500-member Palestine National Council, to take place in Algiers next month.

"We are at the threshold of struggle and an important political stage, during which new shapes for the Palestinian cause will be decided upon," Mr Arafat said.

Egyptian officials made no attempt to disguise their satisfaction that the timing of the PLO leader's visit enhanced the role being played by Egypt in the latest attempts to resolve the Middle East crisis, and also increased the importance of President Mubarak's own European tour.

Dr Mamdouh el-Beltagy, chairman of the State Information Service, said that the tour was further proof that Egypt was "a genuinely peace-making nation that is capable *of dialogue with all different* parties".

Dr Beltagy claimed that the Egyptian leader's trip was taking place at "a critical juncture in the history of the Middle East". As well as the nine-month old uprising in the occupied territories and King Husain's action, he said, there existed "an increasing moderate segment among both Israelis and Palestinians that advocates a negotiated solution of the conflict".

Senior Western and East Bloc diplomats remain uncertain about the extent to which President Mubarak, a man noted for his diplomatic caution, will be prepared to publicly support the idea of a Palestinian government-in-exile, although many of his close advisers believe it is now vital to maintain the diplomatic momentum prompted by the Palestinian uprising.

Mr Arafat emphasized yesterday that both Egypt and the PLO believed that Europe could play an important role in achieving a just peace in the Middle East, "taking into consideration the rights of the Palestinian people, including their right to self-determination".

Mrs Thatcher's talks with the Egyptian President will take place on the same day as President Reagan is due to meet the Egyptian and Israeli Foreign Ministers, Dr Esmat Abdel Meguid and Mr Shimon Peres, in the US. "As Mrs Thatcher has herself just *met with Peres, her own* position to be of important influence in the region is increasing at a vital moment," an Egyptian source said.

President Mubarak will also be using his European tour to mobilize Western support for Egypt's grave economic problems and to help him water down demands from the International Monetary Fund for reforms which Egyptian officials insist could threaten the country's whole social fabric and provoke riots.

The IMF has insisted that Egypt slash its £1.2 billion budget deficit, increase domestic interest rates and raise the prices of state subsidized fuel and food.

Pakistani fanfare greets birth of Benazir's son

Members of the Pakistan People's Party celebrating in the streets of Karachi yesterday at the news that their leader, Miss Benazir Bhutto, had given birth to a 7 lb boy in a Karachi hospital.

Miss Bhutto, aged 35, had virtually trapped the late President Zia ul-Haq into calling a general election on November 16 by indicating that she would be expecting her first child at about that time (Zahid Hussain writes from Karachi).

Thousands of members of the People's Party surrounded the Lady Dufferin Hospital as the news of the birth of the grandson of the former Prime Minister, Zulfiqar Ali Bhutto — who was hanged by General Zia — spread quickly.

***The news came as a complete surprise*, as it had generally been expected that the birth would be in the second week of November.**

Miss Bhutto married a Sindhi businessman, Asif Ali Zardari, aged 35, on December 18, 1987. He is not involved in politics and has remained in the background after his marriage to Pakistan's most popular politician.

Bligh and Christian take to the high seas again

From Christopher Morris
Sydney

A handshake on board a sailing ship in Sydney Harbour yesterday sig*nalled the end of 200 years of enmity* between the families of two of naval history's greatest sailors.

The meeting was an emotional one for the great, great, great grandsons of Captain William Bligh and first mate Fletcher Christian, the leading protagonists in one of the most documented dramas at sea, the mutiny on the Bounty.

The conversation between Captain Ron Bligh, aged 62, and Lieutenant Commander Gerald Christian, aged 30, of the Royal Australian Navy was cordial and polite.

"I think it is a privilege for us to meet", they both agreed. "The Christians and the Blighs have an honourable association and the Bounty saga still captures the imagination of people around the world."

The present-day Captain Bligh and Mr Christian plan to repeat the voyage of their ancestors on a replica of the Bounty next April, sailing from Tahiti to Tonga and on to the Pitcairn Islands. It was near Tonga on April 28, 1789, that Mr Christian took command of the Bounty casting Captain Bligh adrift in a long boat.

The new Bounty plans to sail into Pitcairn on January 15, 1990, 200 years to the day after the mutineers landed there.

Commander Christian believes that his ancestor was murdered on the island by natives and is buried there although some historians claim that he returned to England.

At Sydney Harbour yesterday Captain Bligh and Commander Christian were handed their sailing orders for the voyage at a special ceremony.

This time however, Captain Bligh, a Merchant Navy officer for most of his life, will not have to make the 3,618-mile journey in the open boat. He will be cast adrift, but only for a few hours before returning to the Bounty to complete the voyage to Pitcairn.

● **Ark Royal protest**: Anti-nuclear protesters who planned to kidnap the captain of the Royal Navy's aircraft carrier Ark Royal in Brisbane were foiled yesterday, and 14 were arrested.

Mozambique's dam project

Power link puts Pretoria to test

From Michael Hornsby, Johannesburg

The recent warming of the political climate between Mozambique and South Africa, ideological enemies condemned by geography and history to a relationship of economic intimacy, has breathed new life into the Cahora Bassa hydro-electric project.

This is one of the most ambitious development schemes in Africa, in Mozambique's north-western Tete province. And it was no accident that President Botha and President Chissano of Mozambique chose the site of the dam, as the venue for their historic meeting earlier this month. For the dam has become a *symbol of their complex state* of co-existence.

The meeting put a presidential seal of approval on agreements reached earlier in the year which could enable electricity to start flowing again from the dam, providing both countries with a relatively cheap and pollution-free supply of power, and the Maputo *Government* with a badly needed source of income.

Everything depends, however, on whether there has been a real change of heart in Pretoria. South African support hitherto for the Renamo insurgents in Mozambique has helped to fuel the brutal civil war that has ravaged the country almost from the moment that the *Marxist* Frelimo liberation movement ousted the Portuguese colonial administration in 1975.

The pylons carrying the lines which transmit power from the dam over about 870 miles — 500 of them inside Mozambique — to the Apollo distribution station near Pretoria, in the Transvaal, have proved easy targets for Renamo's roving guerrilla bands. At present more than 500 of the 7,000 pylons are in need of repair.

From 1977, when the dam was commissioned, until 1980 there was a fairly reliable supply of electricity. From 1980 to 1983, as Renamo activity intensified, it was no more than intermittent. Since *then it has ceased* altogether.

By supporting Renamo, South Africa has thus indirectly — and on the face of it counter-productively — sabotaged a project of potential economic benefit to itself.

At a meeting in June in Lisbon, South Africa signed a new agreement with Mozambique and Portugal for the supply of electricity from the dam. In an apparent reversal of allegiance, South Africa also agreed to help the Mozambique Army protect the power lines against Renamo.

Serious doubts remain in *Lisbon and Maputo*, however, about whether Pretoria really intends, or indeed is still able, to bring Renamo to heel. Even without any interference from the rebels, it would take up to 18 months to repair the damaged pylons and power lines.

Under the new contract, South Africa would initially pay about 200 million rand *(£50 million at the present* exchange rate) a year for electricity delivered at a level of 1,450 megawatts. This would meet about 7 per cent of the country's total needs.

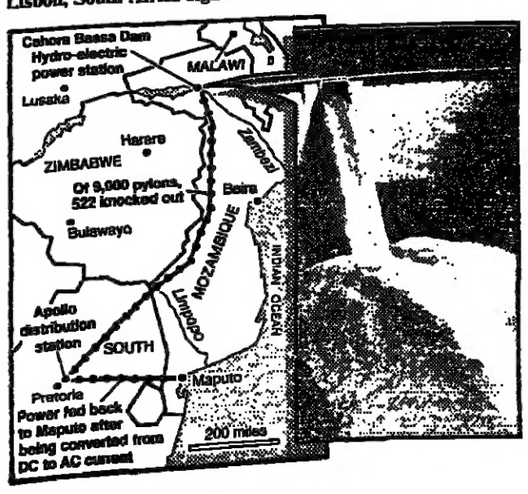
The tariff would be increased by 25 per cent in 1994 and the contract would be reviewed at the end of the century. For many years ahead, the bulk of the payment by South Africa would have to be handed over to Portugal to pay off debts incurred during the building of the dam.

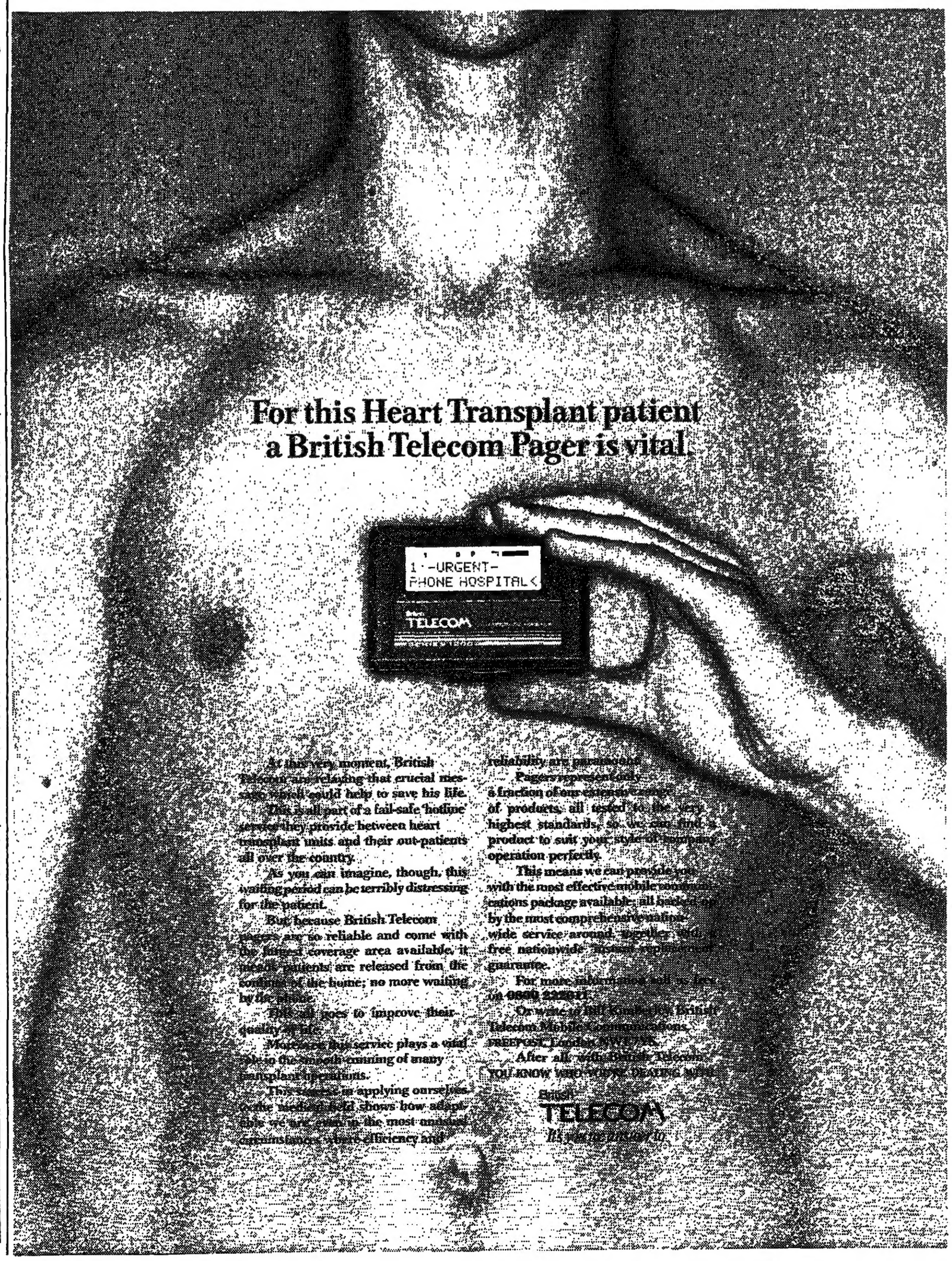
In the years to come, the dam should become an expanding source of revenue for Mozambique. In the late 1960s, when construction of the dam began, South Africa enjoyed high economic growth and estimated that its electricity needs would double every 10 years. At present, it has more electricity-generating capacity than it requires.

So the immediate gain for Pretoria is political and diplomatic — a more co-operative relationship with Maputo — rather than economic. For its part, Portugal is obviously anxious to see some return on its investment in the dam, still some £30 million a year in running and debt service costs.

In Maputo, the longer-term financial benefits of a reactivated Cahora Bassa are of less immediate importance than the prospect that Pretoria may at last be serious about ceasing support for the Renamo rebels.

If that proves true, President Chissano will not have swallowed his pride and treated with the Pretoria Government in vain. He is only too aware that such hopes have been raised in the past only to be dashed.





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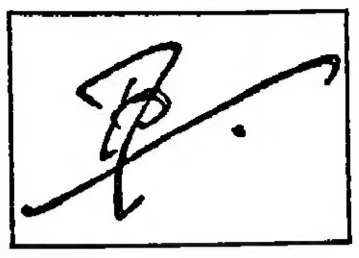


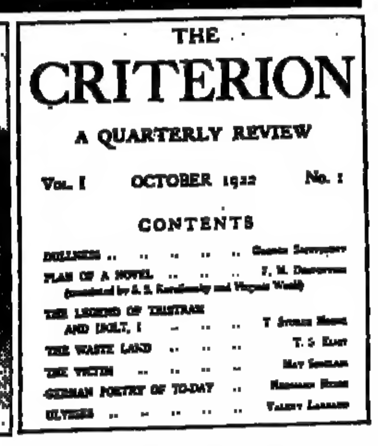
THE LETTERS OF T.S. ELIOT

PART 4

T.S. Eliot, one of the greatest poets of the 20th century and a major influence on English literature, was born 100 years ago next Monday. The centenary is being marked by the publication of the first volume of Eliot's collected letters, edited by his widow and covering the years 1898-1922. Extracts from these letters are appearing exclusively in *The Times* this week.

Born in America, Eliot settled in London in 1915, married an English girl, Vivien Haigh-Wood, and embarked on his literary career, while earning his living through first teaching and then banking. He also undertook a great deal of journalistic work, writing essays and book reviews for many magazines and newspapers, which added to his income as well as enhancing his literary reputation.

Having acted as assistant editor of an arts magazine called the *Egoist*, Eliot was offered, in 1919, the full-time job of assistant editor of the *Athenaeum*, which was being relaunched under the editorship of John Middleton Murry. Eliot turned down the job, preferring to remain for the time being in his secure post with the foreign department of Lloyds Bank. Two years later, however, a part-time editorship on a new magazine presented itself. We join Eliot as he explains the position to his friend Lady Ottoline Morrell: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Fishing for *Criterion* contributors: the editor at work with below, left to right, four of his catches — Paul Valéry, André Gide, Hermann Hesse, Virginia Woolf and the first issue

July 14, 1921

My dear Ottoline
... There has been a project for the revival of *Arts and Letters*, or rather as it now appears, a quarterly of similar size under a new name ... the person to provide the money is Lady Rothermere ... It has called for exceptional tact. Even now Lady R has not placed the project on a definite basis ... It is not, in its present form, a scheme that could possibly replace the bank, and indeed what little I should get out of it would be no more, I imagine, than any other contributors. But it is something that, once started, one feels could be made something of, in time, and would be an interesting attempt just now when there is *nothing* in London. But I cannot tell you how exhausting and difficult the business has been ...

That autumn, Eliot suffered what appeared to be a nervous breakdown and was advised by a specialist to take a three-month rest. It was not until January 1922 that he was able to return to planning the new magazine, writing to the publisher Richard Cobden-Sanderson:

... At the present moment everything is still in the air ... and I have not seen Lady Rothermere. I will write to you a little later and tell you how things stand ...

By March he was able to tell his friend and fellow poet Ezra Pound, who lived in Paris:

... I have now arranged with Lady Rothermere about the quarterly review, have decided on quite a good small format and paper, neat but no extravagance and not arty, to be published probably by Cobden-Sanderson, in such a way that I shall have only to select the contributions. She will finance it for three years anyhow, there is enough money to pay contributors at £10 per 5000 words and proportionately (should be 80 pages) and I don't see why it shouldn't be tried and the right people as far as possible (i.e. as far as they can be enlisted) get the money regardless of consequences. Lady R is a particular admirer of yours and especially anxious for your collaboration, as of course I also consider it an essential condition. Also, my credit with her would suffer seriously if you did not. Will you therefore consider

1. A Paris letter every quarter ... say 1500 words.
2. Of course cantos etc except that I suppose you would get more by putting them in the *Dial* [an American literary magazine], but I shall hope to arrange much higher rates for verse.
3. Sending over contributions by the best people ... When you translate, translator's fee also.

I want the paper to be good while it lasts, and if at any time I could not have my own way with it I should drop out and publish the fact ...

Pound was not exactly impressed, writing to Eliot on March 14:

Cher T:
Willing to do anything for you personally, but do consider the following points: I have not the slightest interest in England. I have published nothing there since I left (a year and a quarter ago). I know absolutely nothing to England's credit. The *Morning Post* is the real voice of England and the most concentrated and persistent will toward evil in Europe ...

No Englishman's word is worth a damn. I do not know whether the ladies are any more precise ...

Do remember that I know nothing whatever about Lady Rothermere, save that she, by her name, appears to have married into a family which is NOT interested in good literature. I am interested in civilization, but I cant see that England has anything to do with any future civilization ...

I dont, demme, see why I should write a letter to London for £3 ... Remember I have beggared myself, and kept down my rates for years by contributing to every free and idealistic magazine that has appeared.

I have absolutely no animosity against Lady R whom I have never laid eyes on; but I have an absolute mistrust of anything English, particularly of any "upper class" interest in literature. I cannot use the term "aristocracy" of a lot of illiterate motor owners, whether English or other. In the main I think these people like to talk, to express sympathy, and then to waste the artist's time ...

I dont want to appear in England. I have no belief in their capacity to understand anything. They still want what I was doing in 1908 ...

I dont see what company I should be in, apart from your own, and if you try to do editorials as well as spend your days in Lloyds, I dont know that they will be very enlightening ...

Undeterred by this tirade, Eliot pressed on with his plans for the review. On June 27 he wrote to Cobden-Sanderson:

... We [he and Lady Rothermere] both think that owing to the delays which the "Review" has suffered and the current rumours of its having been abandoned, that it is highly desirable that an announcement should appear as soon as possible ... I raised with Lady Rothermere the question of the title and brought out the points upon which you and I agreed that "London Review" was a weak name.

We have finally decided upon *The Criterion*, a title suggested by my wife ...

Ezra Pound had apparently moderated his position. Eliot wrote to him on July 9:

Caro Ezra,
The title of the Review is *The Criterion*. This title was suggested by Vivien ... V had never heard that you had conceived of this title for yours.

Do you recommend anybody in France for the *Criterion*? Also, have you come across anyone who is all informed about Scandinavia? I am *not* anxious to get many French people for the *first two* numbers, more anxious to get other (foreign) nationalities: the French business is so usual (in London) that it doesn't raise a quiver; the only name worth getting is *Proust*, whom I am fishing for ...

His letters show that among those he was also "fishing for" in 1922 were Paul Valéry, Hermann Hesse, Virginia Woolf and André Gide, F.S. Flint and George Saintsbury. Typical of his approaches is that to Hesse, translated from the French:

March 13, 1922

Dear Sir,
During a recent visit to Switzerland, I came across your book *Blick ins Chaos*, which filled me with admiration ... I am sure that you must have many other equally important writings, that I should very much like to be the first to present to the British public.

... I want German thought to be well represented in the review, and I should very much like to know about those post-war German writers who meet with your approval.

I find in your *Blick ins Chaos* a seriousness the like of which has not yet occurred in England, and I am keen to spread the reputation of the book.

Eliot was also receiving help from the poet, novelist and literary journalist Richard Aldington, to whom he wrote on July 13:

The first number will appear either the first or the fifteenth of October, so that you can arrange for publication in America any time after the middle of that month. I do not want you to think that I do not value your article or that I am excessively captious about contributions! If I should seem so you will realise that it is because the success of this review, at least from the point of view of its contents, if not from that of circulation, means a very serious stake to me. You know that I have no persecution mania, but that I am quite aware how obnoxious I am to perhaps the larger part of the literary world of London and that there will be a great many jackals swarming about waiting for my bones. If this falls flat I shall not only have gained nothing but will have lost immensely in prestige and usefulness and shall have to retire to obscurity or Paris like Ezra ...

Aldington was not best pleased by Eliot's criticism of the article he had submitted. On July 19, Eliot wrote to Pound:

I have just had a little difficulty with Richard over an article he contributed and which I ventured to criticise mildly (at his request) and which he immediately sent to the *XIXth Century* without asking permission. As he has not proposed to send me anything else to take its place I am annoyed. He improved the occasion to (1) reprove me for "expressing contempt (in the *Dial*) for eminent writers in language so defective" (2) say that the *Criterion* is a very dangerous title and "somewhat pretentious": "I wonder" he says "if you quite understand the profound english repulsion for everything which seems to be assuming superiority? It is a very subtle thing." (3) says that everyone says that I am getting bitter and hypercritical ...

His aims for the magazine were spelt out in a letter on July 21 to the German scholar and critic E.R. Curtius:

In general it will consist of a small number of critical and reflective essays and an occasional poem or story ... Its great aim is to raise the standard of thought and writing in this country by both international and historical comparison. Among English writers I am combining those of the older generation who have any vitality and enterprise, with the more serious of the younger generation, no matter how advanced, for instance Mr Wyndham Lewis and Mr Ezra Pound ...

His long poem The Waste Land *was about to be published in America, both by the* Dial *and as a book. Eliot naturally wanted it to feature in the first issue of his own magazine.*

August 31, 1922

Dear Cobden-Sanderson
... I find that the original estimate with which your printers provided you gives the cost of 600 copies of 96 pages as *£59/2s*, and the cost of 600 copies of *128* pages as *£75/2s/6d*. I therefore assume that 600 copies of *112* pages would cost around £67.

I enclose the rest of *The Waste Land* again, and would be grateful if you would find out from the printers (1) the cost of extra sixteen pages (2) estimate of space the rest of *Waste Land* needs. If there were in the end a few pages over I suppose they could be left blank as fly-leaves.

10 September 10, 1922

Dear Cobden-Sanderson
... We will stick to the *ninety-six pages*, and leave out Parts III IV and V of *The Waste Land*, if the printer's estimate ... leaves room for title and note about contributions · etc and a note stating that the Dostoevsky will come out in a book ...

October 16, 1922

Dear Sanderson
... The appearance of the paper is all that I could have desired; it is a model. I hope that the appearance and a few favourable notices will double the subscriptions!

Lady Rothermere, however, was less happy. Eliot wrote to Pound on November 3:

... Lady Rothermere has been getting increasingly offensive ever since the *Criterion* came out, and especially since she entered her retreat for maniacs [Gurdjieff's Institute for the Harmonious Development of Man at Fontainebleau]. I wish you could see her before she leaves Paris and tell her bluntly that the *Criterion* is a SUCCESS. Nearly all the copies are sold (600 printed). But this woman will shipwreck it ...

V[ivien]'s idea is to get the money somehow and buy the paper from her — before she has time or opportunity to make my position such that I must throw it up, on her hands. V thinks she would take £500 for it *now* ... If you and I could get the *Criterion* into our own hands and could only find the money to run it for a couple of years, it would be the thing of our lives ...

7 November 7, 1922

Cher Ezra
... She objects (1) to the whole getup and printing of the paper without specifying anything good about it, and I have with difficulty persuaded the publisher not to throw it all up at once ... also her only comment on the contents is that it is Dull and that Saintsbury is bad.

... I will ... suggest to Lady R that she should secure a story from K[atherine] Mansfield [who was also at Gurdjieff's institute] ... I myself should much prefer to have something from Murry; he is at least in every way preferable to his wife. The latter is not by any means the most intelligent woman Lady R has ever met. She is simply one of the most persistent and thickskinned toadies and one of the vulgarest women Lady R has ever met and is also a sentimental crank ... Only thing is to congratulate her on the review as if ignorant of what I have told you, to counteract influence of K.M. who has presumably told [her] that it is bad.

Despite this inauspicious beginning, The Criterion went on to become a highly respected journal. Eliot remained editor until 1939, when it closed because of, as he put it, "a depression of spirits" brought about by "the present state of public affairs".

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TOMORROW

The poet's view of wartime London

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HEALTH

Cure for a sick planet?

Why does Dr William Rea (left) carry a leather seat, read newspapers through glass, and filter water?

Victoria McKee met the world's first professor of environmental medicine

BRIAN EWING

Dr William Rea's brief is vast: ranging from global issues such as acid rain and the dumping of toxic waste, to the effects of a single glass of wine on a single individual.

When he takes up the first university chair in environmental medicine next month he will be liaising with government, commerce and researchers "to aid the understanding of the impact of the environment on man, and to enhance the prevention and cure of environmentally caused diseases".

One of his functions will be to encourage industry to produce environmentally sound alternatives to existing products — such as foam in furnishings, particle board in walls and furniture, chlorine in swimming pools — which, Rea believes, are slowly killing us. And since the safe way is not always the cheap way he is prepared for a good deal of resistance. When you're against petroleum and nuclear fission some of that resistance can be powerful.

Small wonder, then, that Professor Jim Bridges, director of the Robens Institute, told him: "I've had a lot of anxious calls and letters from a lot of worried government departments since your appointment." These include, according to Bridges, the Department of Health, the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food and the Department of the Environment.

There is understandably a bit of pique that an American — Rea is from Texas — will fill one of the plum posts in Britain, but no one would dispute his credentials. A pioneer in many areas of medicine, including cardiac bypass and heart transplant surgery, Rea was working on the lining for an artificial lung when he realized that anything synthetic clotted the blood. He considers this the start of his wholehearted involvement with environmental medicine. He is now the world's leading expert in creating non-toxic environments — and in detoxifying people fogged, befuddled and diseased from contact with chemicals.

The chair, which will be funded for 10 years at £100,000 a year by the Environmental Medicine Foundation, had better be made of leather and hardwood, or at least wicker and cotton: otherwise the new professor won't go near it. Or, if he does, he will use the leather seat he always carries with him to act as a shield against health hazards such as PVC and foam. "I start aching just from sitting on a PVC sofa for a few seconds," he claims.

He can tell if your "toxic load" is topped up simply by shaking hands; he asserts that most of us are dragging ourselves around at well under par, and that "90 per cent of cancers are environmentally induced".

"We are sponges," Rea says. "The best we can hope is to get wrung out." Which is what he does with his detoxification programme, similar to that used by Dr Jean Monro of the Breakspear Hospital in Abbots Langley, Hertfordshire — the first allergy and environmental hospital in Britain.

Basically it involves large quantities of vitamins C and E, together with judicious doses of the minerals selenium, zinc, manganese and copper — and the results, Rea says, can be swift and dramatic. Sophisticated new tests and principles established only recently by Rea and other experts in the field have made it possible to pinpoint the trigger cause and effect in sensitive individuals, he believes.

Substances which may be merely minor irritants in the short term can build up, over a lifetime of low-level exposure, into cancer-causing agents, Rea believes. "Chlordane, for example, a very toxic pesticide: we find a lot of that in our patients with asthma and heart conditions. Recent US studies biopsied accident patients and found them loaded with solvents — including chloroform. Nobody should have these in their blood.

"I can usually tell when a food has pesticides in it," says Rea, whose sensitive tongue stings at the taste of undesirable residues that most of us swallow unknowing. He avoids salads — unless he knows they have been organically grown, like everything else he touches back in Texas — and strategically varies his diet to avoid the risk of overloading his system with a single type of toxin.

He cocoons himself in natural fibres, which provide some protection against the perils of PVC and particle board, when he leaves the safe, organic environment he has created in his home and at his clinic in Texas, where victims of "total allergy syndrome" (he prefers to think of it as environmentally induced immuno-deficiency) are brought for the treatment he pioneered. What works for these people is, with modification, the sort of environment Rea would recommend for us all.

His desk at home is glass-topped with a second table beneath (he reads his newspapers through it to shield himself from the contamination of newsprint), and his water filters are ceramic ones imported from England — "the only safe ones", he believes.

Rea, an expert in sick building syndrome, although he concentrates more on homes than offices, has identified 17,000 of them in the US,

'I start aching just from sitting on a PVC sofa for a few seconds'

and made them healthier by "removing gas stoves, particle board walls, furniture with formaldehyde-producing foam in it, corkboard and carpets". Even pure wool carpets, he points out, contain pesticides, moth-proofing and perhaps the residues of sheep dipping solution; the new paints, while lead-free, usually contain fungicides.

He is the co-author of an American handbook, *Your Home, Your Health and Well-Being*, which provides a detailed blueprint for a healthier lifestyle. The average kitchen cabinet full of cleaning fluids is a toxic time bomb, and our water supplies are highly contaminated, Rea claims. Drinking bottled mineral water is not enough: "Baths absorb the oil on the skin and you can take in more that way," he warns.

The chlorine in swimming pools is not recommended either — chlorine is a dangerous gas which is emitted by dishwashers and other items in the home, Rea says — but pools can be made safe with carbon filters, just as dishwashers can be used with special environmentally approved powders such as those used by Monro at the Breakspear, although they are difficult to obtain.

Rea, the father of four healthy children, says proudly that America is now giving birth to a lot of "ECO babies", children whose parents have taken steps, pre-conception, to create a healthier environment in order to produce a healthier child.

"Once we have clean enough air, food and water, it puts our destiny in our own hands," Rea says. "Good health is not only an absence of illness — but a sense of positive well-being."

A doctor in the house

SECOND OPINION

Alexandra King

For better, for worse, in sickness and in health, doctors' wives undoubtedly get treated differently. My first inkling of this came when my GP's receptionist whispered conspiratorially: "I'm afraid he'll be quite a while with the patient before you — she's a doctor's wife." I wasn't quite sure what to make of that. Did it mean the rest of us were written off with a quick prescription while doctors' wives were given time to discuss what was bothering them?

Mary Hartill, a doctor's wife whose twin sister also married a doctor, is chairman of the Birmingham-based Doctors' Wives Association, a social organization for medical men's spouses, and the only one of its type in the country. She recalls: "During my pregnancies I was always seen by a consultant when other women may have just been seen by the midwife. I had been a nurse myself, and my husband was doing obstetrics and gynae work at the time.

"When my children were young my doctor always used to come to me — I felt privileged not to have to wait in a crowded surgery. If I was worried about something I always knew who to ask. There are drawbacks, of course: if you're feeling foul with flu your husband may not have much sympathy because he's just come from someone who's dying. But it's good to have the perks. After all, if your husband's in the theatre you would get free tickets, wouldn't you?"

Not all doctors' wives are so thrilled with their perks: some even suspect that their status results in defensive medicine. A South London doctor's wife complains of waiting three hours at each ante-natal clinic to see the doctor when she would have been more than content with the midwife. She became so paranoid about her supposedly preferential treatment that when she was treated for cancer she was convinced that they had taken out twice as many glands as necessary simply because she was a doctor's wife.

Val Jordan who, like so many doctors' wives, assists her husband — the consultant gynaecologist Joe Jordan — in his practice, laughs: "You hear this patter about the doctor's wife always being at the end of the queue, like the cobbler's wife being poorly shod, there's never any plasters in the house, and so on. But if a doctor rings us up and says his wife has a problem we always squeeze her in. I have a very good gynaecologist — and that's the way it should be. Your husband would always put you last."

Dr Owen Upritchard, a Leicestershire GP, wryly sums up the unwritten medical charter for dealing with doctors' wives. "There are lots of rules: if something's going to go wrong it goes wrong with a doctor's wife. They get the best treatment — but only because they soldier on until they're desperate. It's a great honour to have a doctor's wife on your list — it's the greatest tribute anyone can pay. But it's worrying for a doctor to treat a doctor's wife: you're under exam conditions."

Upritchard says he tends to bypass his wife's GP and write her referrals himself: "I used to go along with my wife when she was seeing her doctor, but she found that the consultant and I started talking about her as if she wasn't there."

His wife, Suzanne, trained as a bio-chemist and helps her husband in his practice. When she needed an operation in November her gynaecologist suggested a private clinic rather than the general hospital. "I'd had an emergency operation a few years ago at the general and I'd been put in a side ward and had special treatment and was quite happy there, but when my gynaecologist said did I want to go to the clinic I thought, does he want me to go to the clinic because it's better for him?

"We were covered by BUPA, but when I go to see the surgeon — well, of course there's never a bill. Very few would present a bill to their colleagues. After all, consultants can't get private patients unless the GP refers them. But you may give them a piece of glass or silver if you know they collect it. It can cost you more in the long run."

The true cost of being a doctor's wife has yet to be calculated. Small wonder that it is so difficult to sum up, when nobody is certain if the special treatment is a plus or a minus.

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MEDICAL BRIEFING

Dr Thomas Stuttaford

When Emperor Hirohito of Japan was ill a few months ago it was widely assumed that he had cancer of the head of the pancreas, which gives rise to a rapidly progressive obstructive jaundice as well as other features of malignant disease. The operation he then had was to relieve the obstruction of the common bile duct caused by pressure on it from the growing tumour. The procedure is a simple one, and entirely palliative; the gall bladder, which leads to the obstructed common bile duct, is directly implanted into the small intestines. It normally gives the patient an extra six or nine months of life but it has the additional advantage that it relieves the jaundice for a time, and with it many of the other symptoms, including the severe itching which had been causing the patient so much distress.

The emperor's gastro intestinal haemorrhage is likely to be a terminal event, and his transfusions do no more than prolong life for a few more days or a week or two at the most.

Cancer of the pancreas affects men more often than women and becomes more common with advancing age. Seventy per cent of the tumours are in the head of the pancreas, 30 per cent in the body or tail of the gland. It is a notoriously difficult tumour to diagnose early, as pain in its early stages is not a prominent feature of the growth: by the time jaundice is present the chance of a cure is remote. Patients may admit in retrospect that they did have some slight upper abdominal pain which may have radiated through to the back, but that their main symptoms were vague ones: loss of weight, loss of appetite and general fatigue.

Leprosy target

Sunday school Bible classes have ensured that, although nobody has caught leprosy in Britain since the end of the 18th century, each new generation learns to fear it. It now seems probable that many of those who were excluded from the church and society in the Middle Ages because of this dread — and had, according to legend, to appear at the altar through a slit in the chancel wall — had psoriasis rather than leprosy. Four hundred years later between 15 million and 20 million sufferers in other parts of the world are still subjected to the same rejection. Many cases, as medical education in leprosy is sketchy (even Dr Desikan, the medical adviser to Lepra, the British Leprosy Relief Association, only had one lecture on the disease when a student in India, where there are four million cases), are met with the same ignorance of the disease. It is not difficult to see why it is so dreaded: it doesn't kill, but slowly disfigures and maims, leaving a patient with ravaged feet, hands and faces and often blind. It would be a dire picture were it not for the fact that — provided money can be found for the programme, and the local medical services enthused to carry it out — leprosy can be cured. Its treatment is one of the success stories of post-war medicine. Leprosy, like TB, which it resembles bacteriologically, should be treated with multiple drug therapy (MDT). The use of only one drug allows resistance to develop, but combined therapy overcomes the problem.

Since 1965 in Malawi, Lepra has been responsible for a leprosy control programme and has reduced cases to a tenth of what they were before combined therapy was introduced. Lepra is now extending its activities and this week its director will join Dr Desikan in the district of Bida in India to start a similar programme to try to achieve the same results. This is only part of the overall programme in India, where the government hopes to have leprosy controlled by the year 2000.

Leprosy affects the mucous membranes, the skin, and, most damaging of all, the nerves. The loss of sensation followed by destruction of the cutaneous nerve means that patients are unable to feel, and therefore protect themselves from minor injuries. Their anaesthetized hands and feet are destroyed by painless but neglected ulcers. In time the nerve damage also results in muscle wasting, so that the hands become claw-like and the feet drag. Even at this stage the disease can be arrested, the organisms eradicated and — through reconstructive surgery — some of the damage repaired and function restored. The Royal College of Surgeons in London works closely with Lepra in researching reconstructive surgery, including muscle grafts and tendon transplants. The ever-present fear of doctors treating leprosy is that resistance may one day develop to all of the anti-microbal drugs used, so that multiple drug therapy becomes ineffective. A second line of attack is needed, which has to be a vaccination. For the first 90 years after Hansen discovered Mycobacterium leprae, the organism which causes leprosy, it was thought that the disease only attacked humans, which made it difficult to produce a vaccine. Only comparatively recently have tissue culture methods been developed which enables the Mycobacterium to be kept. A major advance in the search for a vaccine came when it was found by chance that the armadillo was also subject to leprosy. This means that scientists can produce, comparatively cheaply, a vaccine composed of a mixture of BCG (vaccine used against TB) and a killed leprosy Mycobacterium. Advances in molecular biology also mean that DNA from the leprosy organism can be used to prepare purified antigens. But this work is still in the experimental stage, whereas the BCG/killed leprosy vaccine is being tested on patients.

Smelling test

It is a common experience that a particular scent can recall people, places and events. So it is not surprising that scientists meeting at Reading rated aftershave and scent as effective aphrodisiacs. A more unexpected conclusion was that the smell of cod liver oil or lemon juice had similar qualities, and they suggested that a smear of halibut oil in the armpits acted in a similar way to human pheromones and was sexually attractive. Loss of smell is distressing to patients, but when it occurs they tend to complain of the loss of taste with which it is associated, rather than any reduction in their libido; they miss the subtle pleasures of bacon and eggs rather than those of their marital partner. Although the common causes of a loss of the sense of smell are usually either due to troubles in the nose — as a result of swelling, chronic inflammation — or to the general loss of the senses which occurs in old age, it can be a sign of a more deep-seated disease, including meningiomas, benign tumours of the covering of the brain, or aneurysms, weak and dilated patches in a cerebral artery. Smell is tested by asking a patient to recognize vanilla, lemon, coffee or any other non-irritant smell. Each nostril is tested individually. Taste can also be tested, but experiments show that there are only four elemental tastes — sweet, sour, bitter and salty — so that the gourmet or wine connoisseur, however respected, needs to use his sense of smell to distinguish between the rough red Algerian and the quality claret. Changes in the perception of smell are equally important; to a depressive every item of food, however well cooked, or every glass of wine, however fine, may have an unpleasant taste. Sometimes a change of taste may be the first sign of the onset of depression. Schizophrenic patients, or even people with a schizoid personality, also have alterations in the sense of smell, but in this disease it is heightened, and the sufferers may fear that their own body odours — which they may be able to smell themselves — are alienating other people. This anxiety may become so great that it can lead to delusions. Patients with some forms of temporal lobe epilepsy may notice a smell during an attack where none exists.

BOOKS

Malcolm Bradbury reviews an Amis comedy of sex that reintroduces two well-loved characters

Hearts growing older

GLYNN BOYD HARTE

In *Difficulties With Girls* Kingsley Amis takes two notable characters from his early middle work and treats them and their continuing story in the manner of the later work — in the funny-grouchy, half misogynistic and half compassionate spirit of *Stanley and the Women* or *The Old Devils*. The two characters are Patrick Standish and Jenny Bunn, the hero, or rather anti-hero, and the heroine of *Take A Girl Like You*, which will surely stand as one of Amis's finest and best judged novels.

Patrick is Amis's version of the Regency rake and libertine, exploring the lust and the lechery that God or his natural maleness gave him, along with an instinctive arrogance and a typical Amis rage in the face of things and people who are ungood. Jenny is his natural adversary and teacher, the nice, ordinary northern girl of simple tastes whose innocent moral strength makes her one of Amis's finest female characters. In this earlier book Patrick succeeds in seducing Jenny by a near-rape. She in turn points him towards repentance through her moral character. Between them they became two ideal representatives of the world of manners and morals in its shift from the 1950s to the 1960s. This explains much of the force of the book, and its place in modern fiction.

Now the two are eight years married, and it is the middle 1960s. A new spirit of sexual liberation is showing on the horizon, and homosexual relations between consenting males are just ceasing to be an offence. Ideas of sexual freedom are not, of course, novel to Patrick, though his impulses seem somewhat muted. But he does have Jenny at his side, an intimate and instinctive interpreter of all his tricks and subterfuges. Patrick has now left school-teaching, and has become a publisher in a small London house, where a trendy beret-wearing whizz-kid runs the show, publishing dreadful poets and the works of Mabuse, a convenient cross between Marcuse and McLuhan. So publishers' meetings and lunches and literary parties form one main setting of the book, and offer Amis excellent if familiar opportunities for displaying the uniform awfulness of contemporary literary figures.

Jenny has miscarried, and seems incapable of conceiving. She works part-time teaching in a children's hospital. But she is mostly concerned with home-making in the new block of flats in South London where the Standishes have just settled, and where she tries to make a decent life, while keeping a sharp weather eye open for the many sexual temptations that cross Patrick's path. This is a world where predator females wander freely, and despite a certain subdued quality in Patrick, he is as alert as ever to the paradoxical juxtaposition of the off-putting female voice and the obsessively interesting female breast.

The main preoccupation of the book, however, is with living together, and the whole strange comedy of sexual relationships: why do we do it, how do we betray it, how can we bear it, why do we keep on seeming to need it? This is Jenny's problem with Patrick and also the problem of the various neighbours they find in the block. Along the corridor is the homosexual "marriage" of Eric and Stevie, who fight endlessly as Stevie exercises his jealous "feminity", but who somehow cannot stop living together. It is also the problem of the eccentric Tim Valentine, who suffers from an unfortunate problem of prematurity in his heterosexual relationships and has been persuaded by a Harley Street psychologist — who can be guaranteed to do no good in any of Amis's novels — that he has "difficulties with girls", and so he must have homosexual inclinations. Other characters, mostly of the minor kind, have similar difficulties generally, illustrating the Amis vision that all human sexual contact seems based on the most improbable materials and very closely resembles mutual loathing.

The book gets off to a slow start, but it expands into a considerable moral dignity, largely guided by the healthy weight of Jenny Standish. It is one of the problems of the later and grouchier Amis that the characters, situations, and settings — the boring Welsh writer, the local hostelry that is being hideously modernized, and so on — tend to take on a very conventional, repetitious quality, though familiarity generally breeds a kind of affection.

What Amis does have is the novelist's power to deepen and complicate characters whose initial conception often seems remarkably thin. Characters are set up for rapid comic dismissal, yet they can often take on a much deeper nature — like the elderly Irish female novelist who actually does perform a remarkable act of honest virtue in this particular book.

For critics to come, the comparison between *Take A Girl Like You* and *Difficulties With Girls* will doubtless prove interesting material for studying what became of Amis. In some ways the later book is thinner gruel, for where the earlier one takes on the exploration of the entire manners of an age, this one is made up of fleeting and fragmentary elements. In the earlier book, Jenny and Patrick were remarkable characters, she with her roots in a northern upbringing and in the sentimental clichés of popular culture, he with his rakehell ways but also his terrible intimations of pain and mortality.

In the new book, these qualities seem rather perfunctory, and Jenny and Patrick now join the great gallery of troubled middle-aged Amis couples who are trying for just a little decency in a world where human love seems to have little to be said for it. The values and prejudices that Amis once used to explore through discovering, and vital characters is now a kind of total, inclusive environment in which they all live. Like Patrick himself, the book is decidedly more muted, and is funny in a fainter and more familiar way. But the gradually deepening texture, which opens to deep feeling beneath the comic surface, justifies it all. If we ask whether Amis was wise or right to bring back two of his best characters, the answer has to be a firm and grateful yes.

DIFFICULTIES WITH GIRLS
By Kingsley Amis
Hutchinson, £11.95

Metaphors of destruction

FICTION

Gillian Greenwood

GRACE
By Maggie Gee
Heinemann, £10.95

VIEW OF DAWN IN THE TROPICS
By G. Cabrera Infante
Translated by Suzanne Gill Revine
Faber, £10.95

THE WHITE SOLITAIRE
By Elizabeth Mavor
Hutchinson, £11.95

Just a few years ago a 78-year-old woman who protested vociferously against the Sizewell nuclear power reactor was murdered. The mystery surrounding the bitter end of Hilda Murrell is the inspiration for Maggie Gee's excellent new novel, *Grace*, in which a writer, Paula, attempts both an exploration and an explanation.

The book is in fact the story of Paula and her elderly aunt Grace who is substituted for Hilda Murrell. Grace must face her childless past and her guilt over a lover's death. Paula must resolve her confusion towards her lover, Arthur, and his child. Both Grace and Paula are protesters in a minor way. Paula still counts the trains that carry nuclear waste along the track at the end of her London garden. A particularly unpleasant aspect of the British security forces imposes upon their lives (and possible deaths), a danger even closer at hand than the fall-out from Chernobyl.

Grace works both as a compelling thriller with a deceptively simple surface and as a complex series of metaphors, constructed with great skill and delicacy, on the destruction of a myth, a family, a society, and possibly a planet. Its portrait of Britain beset by moral and physical decay is alarming and familiar.

Reading through G. Cabrera Infante's new work, **View of Dawn in the Tropics**, is akin to unearthing a box of old photographs and grisly souvenirs. It is a collection of images, moments, anecdotes, and chilling moral tales that together form a history of Cuban struggle, a black and ironic portrait of oppression and uprising on "that sad unhappy island".

The chronology runs from the Indian conflict with the Spanish through to Castro's regime, which Cabrera Infante left in an atmosphere of mutual disenchantment in 1966. An ignorance of the details of Cuban history is no hindrance to an absorption of Cabrera Infante's belief that one man's myth is another man's prison. He sets out to illustrate his point with a catalogue of horror perpetrated by a succession of liberators turned tyrant.

Cabrera Infante sometimes literally uses photographs as a starting point for a narrative. In one such case a man has been cropped out of a picture simply because the photographer could not identify him. The man is later accused of treachery and becomes a non-person. The narrator praises the foresight of the photographer: "That's what you call historical guesswork."

On reading an 18th-century account of the life of Mary Read (probably by Defoe) which is printed as a foreword to Elizabeth Mavor's **The White Solitaire**, questions immediately raise themselves. How did this woman who lived much of her short life as a man, conceal her identity in her life as a sailor and soldier turned pirate? What sort of creature was she? Elizabeth Mavor has attempted an interesting answer in a fictional account of Read's life, based upon the few facts known.

The book is written as a narrative interspersed with a journal written by the fictional Read. The journal is straight 18th-century pastiche, and works well while the narrative and dialogue lurch about rather inconsistently in and out of period, but nonetheless lending the tone a certain historical flavour. **The White Solitaire**'s success lies in its fascinating depiction of the life of a sailor and pirate, and a convincing account of the physical survival of Mary Read in a harsh male world of war and sea battles. Read slips in and out of her male/female identities, only slowly conscious herself of a profound confusion as to her own nature and sexual preferences.

NEW HARDBACKS

The Literary Editor's selection of interesting books:

A Local Habitation, by Richard Hoggart (Chatto & Windus, £13.95) Life and times, 1918-40, of Leeds boy who found the uses of literacy.

Adam, Eve & the Serpent, by Elaine Pagels (Weidenfeld & Nicolson, £14.95) Slow growth of the Christian notion of the bondage of original sin.

Charles Edward Stuart, by Frank McLynn (Routledge, £24.95) The tragedy of Bonnie Prince Charlie on the 200th anniversary of his death.

Country Matters, by Duff Hart-Davis (Weidenfeld & Nicolson, £10.95) Not Hamlet's sense, but pretty pieces by *Indie's* green-wellied star.

Erewhons of the Eye, by Elinor Shaffer (Reaktion Books, £21.50) Samuel Butler seen unusually as painter, photographer, & art critic.

Figures in a Landscape, by John Gaze (Barrie & Jenkins, £18) Insider's history of the blessed National Trust by its late Chief Agent.

Sporting Art in Eighteenth-Century England, by Stephen Deuchar (Yale, £24.95) A social and political history of the typically English genre by the curator of pictures at the National Maritime Museum, Armada man.

The Fitzrovians, by Hugh David (Michael Joseph, £15.95) A portrait of London's Bohemian class, named for the naughty Fitzroy Tavern, 1900-55.

The Myth of Ritual Murder, by R. Po-chia Hsia (Yale, £20) Jews and magic in Reformation Germany from rare, hair-raising primary sources.

The Real Charles, by Alan Hamilton (Collins, £10.95) Entertaining and acute 40th-birthday analysis of the P.O.W. by our man in court breeches.

Beneath the glaze

NOVEL OF THE WEEK

Philip Howard

UTZ
By Bruce Chatwin
Cape, £9.95

This is a thin vol., with big bold print and wide margins on 150 small, creamy pages, as delicate as a porcelain figurine. On the surface, as you start reading, it seems as though it is going to turn out to be a whimsical little parable. But beneath the brilliant glaze, there is considerably more going on than meets the unwary or fleeting eye.

It starts with a lonely funeral in Prague, the melancholy city of survival where nothing is quite what it seems. Kaspar Utz is the stiff protagonist at the botched ceremony. He appears to have been a reclusive man, a quarter Jewish, who has survived Hitler and Stalin and the grey totalitarianism of modern Czechoslovakia by opting out into his private collection of Meissen porcelain. Thousands of 18th-century figurines, all dazzlingly clothed and coloured — Columbine and Harlequin, ladies of the Court, Tartars and Chinese sages — are banked six deep around the walls of his otherwise shabby little flat. He is in the grip of monumental *Porzellankrankheit*, the overpowering, obsessive collector's mania for porcelain.

Utz's apparently bloodless life is gradually uncovered, mainly by the indirections and misapprehensions of a young English historian, who first meets him in the year before the Soviet tanks roll up to stamp out the Prague spring. Like all human beings, Utz is not porcelain, more like an onion, with many layers revealing surprises as they are accidentally peeled off. Can we even be sure whether he has a moustache? There are fleeting and improbable intimations of the sly trickster Harlequin about the dull old dog.

As we unwrap him we meet intelligence and sensitivity, unexpected intimations from Kafka to Jung, and assorted symbolic and historical lore about porcelain — and life. The legendary Rabbi Loew who blasphemed against the Creator by making a Golem or clay mannikin shaped like a gentile, whom he brought to life as his servant. Much about Augustus of Saxony, and the invention of porcelain, and Dresden where there is no porcelain left today. And why do you suppose that Nebuchadnezzar had the burning fiery furnace heated to seven times its normal temperature when he tried to fire the unfortunate Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego?

With so much priceless porcelain around, you will not be too surprised when the book ends not with a whimper but a series of crashes. But how and why and if will make you jump. This shiny little novel is not just about pretty little porcelain figurines, but about dirty great issues of life and creativity.

Through the looking specs

The professor of France and life

Tim Heald

SOMETHING TO HOLD ONTO
Autobiographical Sketches
By Richard Cobb
John Murray, £12.95

"I have not changed very much," writes Professor Cobb, regarding the photograph of himself blackberrying in a heavy mackintosh and a black trilby purchased earlier that year, 1939, in the Boulevard Saint-Germain. He looks thin as a stick, peering out from behind heavy round spectacles, and he seems to be saying something to an unseen third party who could be Nancy or Brigid or Jim, "a large man in a blazer", who is recovering from rheumatic fever.

"I am merely 49 years older," he continues, as if the mere passage of time could scarcely be expected to effect meaningful alterations any more than a CBE and the Oxford Chair of History, marriage, children, and above all the strange cultish fame he now enjoys, and which derives not so much from his professional achievements as from his late-flowering autobiographies, of which this is one.

Fans of *Still Life* will be glad to know that there is a return to Tunbridge Wells, though not to the Limbury-Buses but to the Papés up the hill in Percy House. We are also taken to Colchester to his grandparents' house in the Hythe, "larger than the brick house occupied by the manager of the gasworks". Here we meet Uncle Primus, photographed on a regular constitutional on Clacton Pier, trousers worn high above the ankle and flapping. A family trait. Primus died of senile dementia in Severall's Hospital. "It was," we are told, "the only time, apart from a year up the Amazon, that he had been away from home."

Other uncles and aunts gad about more than Primus, none more than Vernon, the doctor who used to witness the hangings at Lancaster Gaol and seems to have enjoyed describing them, especially the smell. He became fashionable, unlike his brother Jack, a serious drinking man who liked to take Richard on his rounds and describe each consultation so that the young nephew felt like "a GP at one remove". Professor Cobb enjoyed his uncles.

"The relationship between an uncle and a nephew is generally an easy, relaxed one, if only because it is intermittent, can be interrupted at short notice, and because there are at all times readily available exits." Interesting that his father, "whom I knew so little", is such a shadowy figure, only occasionally walking in from the wings to perform such necessary chores as whisking the ailing Primus off to Severall's Hospital.

Addicts of the dimly lit, mildly batty, and slightly melancholy Cobbian world will fall once more happily through the looking glass. It is a world that sometimes seems as much a product of nostalgic imagination as real recall.

It is true that he seems in many respects not to have changed at all, and that the thin, muffled figure blackberrying in his early twenties really is almost indistinguishable from the elderly gentleman who may now be found walking quietly in the woods at Wytham. The memory, however, does occasionally fail. "*Zones d'ombre*", he tells us, are inevitable, especially when looking back on your childhood from your 70s. Besides he thinks he was probably always shaky on dates.

In any case life seen through those thick round glasses can never have seemed quite as it seemed to anyone else. Nor can many people have recorded such idiosyncratic perceptions with quite such discursive, quirky, and altogether seductive charm. Like its predecessors this can be an exasperating book at times; but wholly original, beautifully written, and ultimately quite irresistible.

Skulduggery of punters from the horse's mouth

CRIME

Marcel Berlins

THE EDGE
By Dick Francis
Michael Joseph, £11.95

The last few annual offerings from Dick Francis hinted at declining mastery of a genre he had created and, for a quarter century, dominated. Compared with his earlier work, late Francis demonstrated thinness of plot, poverty of characterization, and carelessness of writing. It is pleasing to report that **The Edge** has the champion back on form. It is not, perhaps, vintage Francis, but an absorbing, exciting, and satisfying read.

The main action takes place on a luxury train taking rich racehorse owners and punters across Canada, stopping at race meetings in Toronto, Winnipeg, and Vancouver on the way. On board is the sinister Julius Apollo Filmer, whom the English Jockey Club have been investigating for years. Filmer has a habit of persuading owners to sell him top class horses that they have previously adamantly refused to part with. They never revealed the reasons for their change of mind, but one of them killed himself.

Also on the train, disguised as a waiter, is undercover investigator Torquil Kelsey, a well-off misfit whose talents have found a home with the Jockey Club's security service. As entertainment over the long journey a troupe of actors performs a fictional mystery, which merges with the real one: there is much skulduggery aimed at horses, humans, and the train itself; and Filmer conjures up one of his surprise purchases.

Champion jock of horse crime

It is hardly necessary to say that Francis handles his horse and racing lore with total command. In addition, Kelsey is a less bruised, more believable and attractive hero than many in recent Francis novels. The tension is constant, the action frequent, and the obligatory bits of Canadian exotica do not interfere.

● John Francome, another champion steeplechase jockey turned author, is clearly hoping to succeed to the Francis literary mantle. **Declared Dead** *(Headline, £10.95)* his third equine thriller, co-written with James MacGregor, in real life a London libel lawyer, has the requisite ingredients: fraud and homicide in the racing game, involving an attractive woman jockey in difficulties with a nasty husband, crooked bookies, naughty stewards, and disappearing stable lads.

The racing feel is authentic, and it's a pacy, entertaining read, but the authors need to liven up the somewhat stilted dialogue and description to begin to compete with the Old Master.

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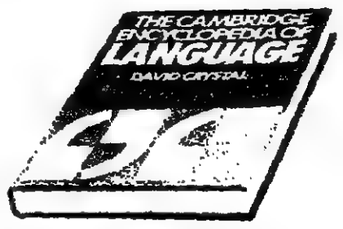

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THE TIMES LITERARY SUPPLEMENT

TIMES DIARY

SHERIDAN MORLEY

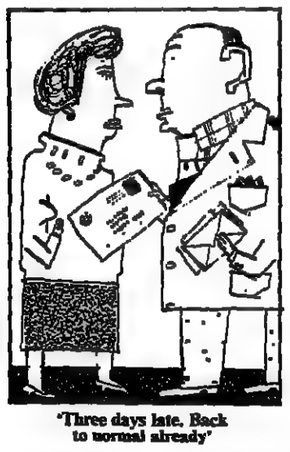
I am about to go back on the boards. There is a theory that drama critics should never make public appearances, remaining like Muslim women securely veiled in their integrity and anonymity, but coming from a family of actors I have always believed that reviewers should occasionally have the experience of getting up on a stage and looking at the audience face to face, instead of eternally peering over the backs of their heads.

Anyway, my stage appearances began in Australia when my father was working out there after the war, and have continued at roughly ten-year intervals ever since. At the Oxford Playhouse at 21 I discovered as an undergraduate that I really couldn't act at all (some people don't discover that until they are well over thirty, and you can see them most days in soap operas), but ten years after that I took over from Ned Sherrin as the narrator on the first tour of *Side By Side By Sondheim* because I had written a book about him — Sondheim not Sherrin, you understand — and periodically I still go back to narrating a show I love more than any other musical anthology, except possibly my own *Noel & Gertie*. Currently Jack Tinker and I are sharing the weekend-narrator appearances in the *Sondheim* at a new dinner theatre called the Water Rats, way up Grays Inn Road. Actors seeking revenge should book early if they wish to sit close enough to throw things.

I notice that I am described in this week's *Spectator* as "a great theological luminary": the reference is probably ironic, since it part of an elegant attack on those of us who argued in print that *The Last Temptation of Christ* was rather more holy than blasphemous, but I begin to see myself as a major figure in church politics, preferably robed in one of those mauve cassocks that remind one of Danny La Rue on tour. The great thing about having no faith of any kind is that it enables you to comment impartially and with almost no knowledge at all on everyone else's.

To Chichester last weekend, primarily for the rare pleasure of dinner with José Ferrer who at 76 is making his British stage debut in an otherwise uneventful revival of Anouilh's *Ring Around The Moon* en route for London in its original translation by Christopher Fry. The latter at over eighty is still driving himself around the theatre car-park like Nigel Mansell on a good day. In the grounds of the festival playhouse opened by Olivier back in 1962 there has now arisen a vast million-pound studio structure which will drastically alter the programming of future seasons, since with two stages the repertoire can and should be much more exciting and experimental than during the recent Haymarket-in-Sussex years. All of which makes the imminent appointment of the next artistic director of considerable importance: he (and before I get a sack of feminist mail, no I do not believe there is a she currently running a British theatre who seriously can be considered) needs to be a figure of infinite charisma, intelligence and daring, not to mention vast experience of running an open stage. There is one man, an actor in the original Olivier company there, who is so pre-eminently qualified for the job that I trust someone is already on a plane to bring him back from a fifteen-year Canadian exile: he is of course John Neville.

BARRY FANTONI



'Three days late. Back to normal already'

Maddeningly, I had already left Chichester and José Ferrer before I came across, in an old collection of letters of the screenwriter Nunnally Johnson, a wonderful reference I would have liked to check at source. It appears that Johnson was a witness at one of the McCarthy anti-communist tribunals where Ferrer was accused of Red sympathies on the grounds that he had toured for several years as Iago to the Othello of "the well-known and avowed Communist Mr Paul Robeson". The thing you have to understand about Ferrer, wrote Johnson to his wife, is that he is a great actor but a very unobservant man. He almost certainly had no idea that Robeson was communist. Indeed he almost certainly had no idea that he was black.

Certain phone calls are presumably guaranteed even by British Telecom to bring delight and celebration: news of births, engagements, unexpected lottery wins or the sudden arrival of one's Australian relatives, but I have this week discovered a new one. My almost 21-year-old son and heir (insofar as there will actually be anything to inherit from me, which at this moment looks more than a little unlikely) rang yesterday from a call-box on Reading Station to say that the week after he graduates from drama school he is to go straight into fully-paid employment as an assistant stage manager. Whether it is the relief of a long-time parent reaching the end of the allowances and the school fees, or just amazement that any relative of mine can secure regular work for folding money, or even the vague hope that he might soon be in charge of the National Theatre and therefore able to afford me a small pension, I can't think when last I heard gladder tidings. Now there are just the two teenage daughters to worry about, and as one of those is already running a sensational courtyard barbecue at a pub in Oxford (The Turf, so hasten along before the weather turns nasty again) my life as a father is getting easier by the month.

Sir Sydney Giffard reviews the bewildering reign of Emperor Hirohito

A symbol not a ruler

To think about the reign of the Emperor Hirohito is, in the context of British experience, to think about everything which has happened since the General Strike. We are now more than twice as far in time from the end of the Second World War as we were then, in 1945, from the date of the Emperor's accession.

In specifically Anglo-Japanese affairs, the perspective should be still longer. The Emperor's reign comprehended almost half of the entire modern history of this relationship (and in truth it had a very thin history indeed before modern time).

From the Meiji Restoration, it was less than a 40 year stride to the signature of the Anglo-Japanese Treaty; only another such stride to the Pacific war; and a third brings us into our present decade.

In sharpness and immediacy of contrast between light and shade, between advance, catastrophe and the resumption of progress, between poverty and abundance, world history can show nothing to compare with what has happened in Japan in the last 60 years in the course of a single reign. It has been bewildering change at a bewildering pace. At such times, that which does not change acquires a special value.

In his distinguished study of the Meiji Restoration, Professor William Beasley observes that "for centuries the Japanese Emperor had been a symbol, not a ruler". In Article 1 of the first chapter of the present Constitution of Japan, which came into force on May 3 1947, it is stated that "the Emperor shall be the symbol of the state and of the unity of the People deriving his position from the will of the People with whom resides sovereign power".

The position of a constitutional monarch is one which we in Britain are qualified to grasp: and we can readily understand the importance of this position as a focus of national aspiration. If we are to be sure that those entitled to speak and act in the monarch's name will not speak evilly or act unworthily, we must be vigilant — or fortunate. It is not always easy to remember how fragile constitutions may be in themselves.

The ordinance of 1895 which reserved the posts of War and Navy Ministers in the Japanese Government to officers on the active list was arguably an act of greater political consequence than the promulgation of the Meiji Constitution itself. It was not inconsistent with the development of a strong parliament capable of challenging an arbitrary government. We see where the responsibility had to lie.

Those to whom it should have fallen to ensure that moderation, prudence and humanity always prevailed in the formulation of policy might fail tragically in their duty. But when the curtain had fallen on the tragedy, a sense of community needed to be sustained.

The post-war achievements of Japanese industrialists and administrators have won worldwide recognition. Those of Japan's artists and craftsmen, scientists and technologists are acknowledged with increasing understanding and admiration.

Post-war Japan is perhaps the first country ever to reach first class status without disposing of military power commensurate with its economic strength. The latter, however, is now such as to ensure that Japan's influence must continue to grow, both regionally and internationally. For those of us who first saw Japan in the early post-war years, and who know, even if we had not personally experienced, what had gone before, this is an astonishing transformation.

It is the kind of achievement for which one's admiration is enhanced, not diminished, by familiarity with the less spectacular stretches of what has often been a painful journey.

The importance during this journey of the Emperor's role as the symbol of the unity of the people is hard for an outsider fully to comprehend. The respectful crowds at New Year's celebrations, the concern for the Emperor's health, the pride in his scholarly attainments as a natural scientist, the pleasure of knowing that he is familiar with every part of the island country, and with all its crafts and customs — these things are the evidence upon which you may depend. The evidence is solid.

Hard for an outsider fully to comprehend, perhaps: but it is more readily accessible to an outsider sharing the inheritance of constitutional monarchy. To those to whom such an inheritance matters, there is no need to say any more.

It would be inappropriate to speculate about the Emperor's personality. But it must be said that to have reigned for so long, through such drastic and turbulent change, and to have retained and deepened the respect and affection of his subjects is the sure mark of a profoundly sympathetic character.

There are those in various countries who have seen terrible days and not spoken of them, who have nurtured a sense of humanity in barbarous times, who have fought to fashion some constructed end out of adversity and to resist cruelty and oppression. There are very few to whose lot it has fallen to proclaim a great surrender and then unshakeably to assume a quiet dignity and a constructive composure through the succeeding years. As the Japanese people look towards the future, they will no doubt do so with confidence partly, if not largely, because of what has not changed in their national life.

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Bernard Levin

Free the spirit

My recent hymn to Glyndebourne and its glories produced something of a debate in the Letters page, though it was largely confined to an argument over the level of appreciation on the part of the business audiences. (I may say that I have frequently been to Glyndebourne when much of the audience was there on a corporate treat, and I have never noticed any difference in response between them and the rest of us.)

One letter, however, from Miss Ann Stein, raised a very different point, and one which I think is well worth discussing; I hope she will not object if I remind readers of her contribution with excerpts from her letter. She had, as I had, revelled in the splendid *Falstaff*, and savoured the joys of Glyndebourne. But then:

"... a feeling of uneasiness disturbed me ... Why, I started wondering, should *I* be accorded the privilege of partaking of such perfection, simply because *I* (or rather my host) was able to afford such an evening out? ... is one not, in effect, endorsing a financial "apartheid" ...? I hope my annual invitations continue to arrive, but I do wish I did not have to feel so guilty about enjoying my treat."

Now it is clear that Miss Stein is a sensitive and thoughtful lady; even the few lines I have quoted demonstrate as much, and the entire letter even more so. But I do not believe that she ought to "feel so guilty" in her enjoyment of an expensive treat, and since there seems to be a real moral dilemma involved, I would like to give her my reasons.

I start with an argument that has a fatal flaw in it, which she will spot very quickly. There are many fine things in the world which only a few people can have, not only because they are expensive but because they are rare; even if everybody was a millionaire, only a few hundred people could own a Rembrandt. Very well; I shall shoot that one down myself, before she does. Only a few can own a Rembrandt, but all can go to the National Gallery and see several Rembrandts free. Nobody needs to own them in order to get the joy from them.

Yes, but that argument does not finish there. Anybody with enough money can own a luxury yacht, because unlike Rembrandts the supply is infinite — the yacht-builders will always be pleased to run you up a model to your specifications as soon as they have banked your cheque. Presumably, Miss Stein would feel guilty if a wealthy friend invited her to a cruise on his boat, because there her dilemma would be at its starkest; after all, the people who cannot afford to go to Glyndebourne can at least afford a recording of the opera, but nobody without great wealth can afford the yacht.

Now there is a catch in that reasoning; though records are cheap, they are not quite cheap enough for really poor people, who are therefore shut out from even the reflected glory of Glyndebourne. (I take it we are all agreed that there is no correlation between a love of music and a high income bracket.)

Yet Miss Stein, if she is as logical as she is concerned, must realize that there is no floor beneath her argument. For instance, at every level of restaurant, from the Tour d'Argent to Burger King, there are people who can, and others who cannot, afford the prices; if she feels guilty about those with enough money to stroll over to the Quai Tournelle, she must — and *a fortiori* — feel guilty about those who are shut out from the delights to be found in Watford High Street.

Some are born poor, some achieve poverty, and some have poverty thrust upon them. But "poor" and "poverty" are always relative terms. In every area where money is exchanged for goods or services, some people will be below the line at which the exchange takes place; Miss Stein is surely laying up for herself an immense load of guilt. She may yearn — we may all do — for a utopia in which every joy that money can buy (incidentally, that leaves an enormous quantity of joys, many of which are free to everyone anyway, right now) is available in limitless quantities for nothing, but such a state of affairs will have to wait till we get to heaven. (And don't forget the rich man and the eye of the needle; there may be a good time coming for the camels.)

Miss Stein draws attention to the fact that at other opera houses, though the posh seats cost plenty, there are cheap unposh ones to be had, and there are no cheap seats at Glyndebourne. Believe me, the Christies regret that fact as much as anyone shut out by the lack of money, but the economics of Glyndebourne (which gets no Arts Council subsidy except for its touring company) make it impossible to offer the equivalent of the gods at Covent Garden.

Besides, suppose the tickets at Glyndebourne cost ten pence a dozen; the number of seats would be the same. First come first served? But some can dash there in their expensive fast cars to get into the queue, while those with no car must catch a train, and quite possibly find themselves obliged to change at Haywards Heath into the bargain.

It is not only wealth that is unequally distributed. I cannot run a mile in under four minutes, or for that matter half an hour; in addition, some would say that I am less good-looking than Mr Robert Redford. It may be said that these things come by nature, whereas wealth comes by — well, by what? Is there not at least as much happenstance in its acquisition as in those qualities that seem to be handed out in a most capricious manner?

But the most powerful argument for Miss Stein's comfort is surely the test we all take, however unconsciously, every time we do something we enjoy, even if it is free. Is she harming anyone else by going to Glyndebourne and enjoying herself? (And remember that it was she who said that the guilt attached to the enjoyment.)

She is not, of course; *she* is not to blame for the fact that others are precluded by lack of means from enjoying what she enjoys. She may feel — she manifestly *does* feel — sympathy for them, but why does she persuade herself that it is her fault? (I suppose it is just possible to argue that it is her host's fault, though I certainly wouldn't.)

We all have to face the fact that many good things cannot be shared out equally, and that some of these can be distributed only on a monetary basis. By the generosity (and wealth) of her host she partakes of one of these good things, yet such is her fellow-feeling for those less fortunate, her pleasure is clouded. But she must know that her guilt, even if it were justified, would not make anyone else happier.

If she would care to discuss these things further, I now invite her to do me the honour of accompanying me to Covent Garden in the forthcoming season (Glyndebourne time is a long way off, and the world may have come to an end before next summer), for a performance of any opera equally dear to both of us. She will sit in the best seats (happy in the knowledge that there are people upstairs in very cheap ones), and be taken to an excellent restaurant afterwards. I guarantee that, over dinner, I can dissolve any lingering guilt, and leave her free to accept next year, with an untroubled conscience, her friend's annual invitation to Glyndebourne and its joys. A word will oblige.

It occurs to me that this must be the first occasion in history on which the columns of *The Times* have been used to arrange a blind date. I have given the Editor an assurance that I shall not make a habit of it.

Commentary • RONALD BUTT

Change for the worse

Dr David Owen thinks we need a new kind of politics. He declares that proportional representation is the key to it and ought to be as great a political issue now as the franchise reform bills and votes for women were in the past. More to his particular point, he believes that the SDP's future depends on its becoming part of a combination of opposition parties to destroy Mrs Thatcher's government by offering PR to the people. If this is his party's only hope it does not amount to much but that apart, would PR really improve our politics?

One argument for PR is that it does justice by giving small parties parliamentary representation which statistically reflects their overall voting support, whereas our first-past-the-post system inflates the representation of the winners, can give power to a party with a minority of total votes, and squeezes small parties to near extinction.

Yet it is not by the theory of statistical justice to small groupings that PR should be judged but by the criterion of the public interest. That is why the often admired German system, in order to prevent extremist parties getting a toehold in the *Bundestag*, modifies strict representational theory by requiring that small parties must achieve a stated minimum of votes before they qualify for seats on a proportional basis.

In public interest terms, however, Dr Owen advocates PR on the grounds that power could no longer fall to a single party with an overall minority of votes and that all the parties would be forced to talk to each other in search of common ground in order to form a combination for government. This, he thinks, would produce a new politics of consensus and compromise preferable to what he calls our adversarial, confrontational or yah-boo politics.

Now it is perfectly true that political manners have deteriorated in the House of Commons in the last dozen years or so. This is not because politics has become more infused with genuine moral anger (though Labour frustration has much to do with it) but rather because blatant and childish rodeness and catcalling are in vogue. There is little of the inspired and controlled invective which does not rely on crude abuse for its effect; most of the present incumbents are incapable of it. There is a new vulgarity of style and utterance. But that is cultural rather than systemic and is the consequence of the kind of people constituencies send to Westminster. Proportional representation would be no cure.

The real question is whether the substance rather than the style of politics would, by becoming less "adversarial", be more democratically responsive as minorities combined to form a majority. Dr Owen evidently believes that beneath the conflict between the adversaries there lies a purer truth which could be extracted and worked on if politicians of good will in different parties sought their shareable convictions.

But what would this mean in practice? Should political parties seek common ground *before* an election, which is the usual German practice, and appeal as a single combination to the electorate? In that case, the voters would have a straight choice as between, say, the German CDU/CSU-FDP ticket and the opposing SDP. Is there really much difference in practice between that convention and the choice offered our own voters, except that periodically the FDP (Liberals) have changed camps?

The alternative is to leave the bargaining until after each election, so that the voter choosing Dr Owen's candidates would have no idea (except by divining Dr Owen's delphic words) whether the effect would be to put in Mr Kinnock or Mrs Thatcher if Dr Owen's fragment could tip the balance in a hung parliament? Would that really be a better democracy from the voter's point of view? Would a more democratically responsive kind of politics be secured by a system in which the voters stood by helpless as the power-seekers made their post-election deals?

PR would either create instability by a multiplicity of parties (Italian style) with possibly long periods without a proper government or give permanent government to the centre so that we should be permanently ruled by coalitions of people like Dr Owen, Lord Jenkins of Hillhead, Mr Bryan Gould and Mr Edward Heath, ably steered by like-minded civil servants.

It would be government by "liberal" experts but let us not kid ourselves that it would be new politics. It would simply be one kind of politics which, as things are, is already represented in both major political camps. Besides, when Dr Owen picks and chooses items to agree with from the other big parties' policies (Mrs Thatcher's policy on defence, unions and the market economy; a more socialist attitude to welfare spending) he is simply producing his own kind of party politics like any other.

Dr Owen is, however, right in believing that such an amalgam of politics (patriotic and sensible abroad; more community-minded at home) would appeal more to Labour's natural constituency than the policies which have been advanced since the left seized the helm in that party and Dr Owen and his former friends defected. It follows that it is Labour that somehow has to change and become a social democratic party, German style, to do which it does not need PR.

One more Labour defeat might do the trick, a realignment perhaps being achieved by a split which would extrude the hard left which would be replaced by new recruits from the centre. Mr Paddy Ashdown may be hopelessly wrong in thinking that the SLD could replace Labour outright but he would be right to think that if the SLD has a role it is as part of the process by which the present Labour would be replaced by something different. That, ironically, was the message which often used to be read between the lines of Dr Owen's older utterances. It is also the highly constructive role in which all the former Alliance parties have been cast by political necessity since the original SDP defection. And to be fair to them, though they have achieved nothing for themselves (because their thinking looked back to the Sixties rather than forward to the new realities) they have already driven Labour willy-nilly along the road to attempted self-reformation.

How Labour's transmogrification may happen nobody can know but PR is not necessary for it. The history of the rise and fall of political parties in the last 150 years is testimony enough that, though our politics always returns to a healthy two-party system in which the voters are offered a clear question, yes or no, it is quite flexible enough to allow the decline of a party which has outlived its relevance and the rise or a new one, whether or not the name remains the same.

SEPT 22 ON THIS DAY

Michael Faraday (1791-1867) conducted a series of experiments in 1831 demonstrating the discovery of electro-magnetic induction, experiments of such importance that a hundred years later delegates from all parts of the world came to a conference in London organized in his honour by the Institution of Electrical Engineers, at which the great Marconi voiced his praise.

IN PRAISE OF FARADAY

The MARCHESE MARCONI said the discoveries of Faraday were so numerous and so important that they brought about not only an immense development in many branches of physics and chemistry, but served as a most potent stimulus to research. His discoveries gave investigators an insight into many hidden mysteries of Nature which, up to his time, had baffled the intellect. But the principle of electro-magnetic induction was Faraday's greatest contribution and, after the discovery of the electric battery and current by Volta, the greatest discovery in electrical science made during the last century.

They might, perhaps, wish him to say something on the bearing of that discovery on radio, or wireless. Everyone would agree that in a sense wireless dated from the discovery, made by Michael Faraday a hundred years ago, that it was not necessary for two electrical circuits to be in actual physical contact with each other in order that electric energy might pass across a small space between them. It was true that this discovery was followed in 1865 by Clerk Maxwell's splendid dynamical theory of the electro-magnetic field and his theory of electric waves, by the experimental proof by Hertz of the existence of those waves and of the correctness of Maxwell's hypothesis, and by numerous other discoveries concerning unexpected and unknown effects of the electrical state and the constitution of atmospheric layers and of space, which made wireless transmission possible over the greatest distances on earth; but he thought that they could safely say that the seed from which wireless had sprung was the fundamental discovery made by Faraday.

Wireless was no longer confined to telegraphy across space, but now included telephony and broadcasting, direction-finding at sea and in the air, the control of mechanism at a distance, and, more recently, the transmission of *facsimile* and photographs, and finally television, which was now beginning to emerge from the laboratory stage. Wireless telephony was now available to the ends of the earth, and this was of paramount importance, as the best and most natural means of intercourse between human beings was by the spoken word.

The state of perfection already attained by broadcasting was amazing, and it had become a social and educational factor of which the future effects were difficult to over-estimate. With it, humanity had at its disposal a new force which was destined to take an ever more decisive part in the programme and evolution of human civilization, and which must work for the general good by promoting a reciprocal knowledge of each other among nations, thus favouring peace. Michael Faraday, who coupled a deep insight into the forces of nature with a profound belief in its Creator, and who sought throughout his long and active life to apply the secrets he was able to reveal to the practical benefit of mankind, might well be satisfied with the latest implement for its moral and material improvement, wireless, one of the most vigorous and promising offsprings of his great discovery.

Lord Eustace Percy [President] said the delegates met to demonstrate what had been the power of knowledge as pursued and taught by one great man in that building 100 years ago.

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GETTING AND SPENDING

The Chief Secretary to the Treasury, Mr John Major, and his opposite numbers in the spending departments are now about two and a half weeks into their annual discussions on public spending. The negotiations are not proving easy. Inflation is set to rise well above the 4 per cent level originally forecast for the end of this year. Social security costs will consequently be several hundred million pounds higher and upward pressure on the public sector pay bill is rising.

There are already strong political pressures for a big increase in spending on the National Health Service, for some clear recognition of the crucial role which education must play in future prosperity and for higher spending on law and order. The July agreement to add to provision for local authority spending must be added to the nurses' pay settlement, the compromise on the European budget and concessions on social security.

Together they have reduced much of the flexibility which was built into the totals agreed in last year's survey. Although the Government's budget surplus is turning out much higher than forecast, interest rates are turning out higher too. This will add to debt interest.

Faced with this there will be a strong temptation to the Government to lower its sights for controlling public spending. The let-out clause has already been set in place to enable the Government to do this. The Cabinet agreed in July to hold spending "as close as possible" to the previously agreed planning totals, not to hold to them precisely. Last year, under a similar form of words, spending totals were eventually increased by £2.5 billion in 1988-89 and £5.5 billion in 1989-90.

The likelihood is that the totals for 1989-90 and 1990-91 will again have to be increased this year. But ministers should not dismiss a more ambitious target as politically or practically impossible. Achieving savings in programmes at relatively short notice is always difficult and sometimes inefficient. But if he cannot hold the totals this time Mr Major should be persuading his colleagues to set in place the machinery for big savings later.

There are several programmes where savings are available. Mrs Thatcher never loses an opportunity to draw attention to the defects of the Common Agricultural Policy, but there are also large domestic farm subsidies and services to the farming community which are directly under the control of the Government. Overall, state aid to agriculture proportionate to its contribution to the national economy is now 17 times that provided to manufacturing.

Law and order may be a priority programme but the objective can be delivered in different ways. The Government's chief solution to prison overcrowding is to build new prisons, a charge on public spending which grows larger every year. More emphasis could be placed on reducing the number of custodial sentences, in which Britain is the European leader. Examining spending from a regional perspective the State's outlays in Scotland are higher than in England and Wales on practically every conceivable unit measure. This is because the block grant formula (which is supposed to equalize spending north of the border with levels prevailing south) was put in place when spending in Scotland was particularly high at the time of the devolution debate. The Government should consider an adjustment in that formula.

For the rest, there are enormous, if elusive, sums to be released through achieving greater value for money. Report after report from the Public Accounts Committee shows, for instance, that the Ministry of Defence is not achieving as big a "bang for the buck" as it should be. Improvements are said to be under way. They need to be large.

In the health service, too, there is evidently scope for saving large sums of money if the performance of the least effective hospitals and the least efficient health regions can be brought up to the standard of the best. The same is true of local education authorities where, even when differing circumstances are fully taken into account, outcomes vary enormously.

Whether ministers should use money saved to spend more on the health service or to cut taxes is a separate question, and the sort of problem which will not be unwelcome. The first thing is to release the additional resources still locked up in the public sector. The Government should be wary of the attitude that there are no more savings to be found.

LORDS TEST FOR LABOUR

Mr Roy Hattersley's declaration this week of Labour's commitment to abolish the House of Lords will be instant music to the ears of the party which he expects will shortly re-elect him to its deputy-leadership. Nothing is better calculated to arouse the anger of the traditional leftist than a reminder of the continued existence of a second chamber which, alongside the life peers, still allows the hereditary principle.

The peers of the grousemoors still loom large in Labour demonology. They are a conventional feature of the rhetoric Labour employs whenever the Lords leave undone anything Labour thinks they ought to have done (such as emasculating the poll tax) or are thought even to contemplate doing something they ought not to do by any significant amendment of Labour legislation.

A closer examination of Mr Hattersley's words, however, may not be entirely pleasurable to most Labour activists. For having, in the approved manner, described the hereditary principle as offensive, and the appointment of life peers by prime ministerial patronage as inadequate, he left it open whether the House of Lords should be abolished altogether, with no replacement, or whether there should be a reformed upper chamber on a different basis.

What is more, he even seemed to indicate that the Labour working committee on the subject which he is to chair will approach that question more or less pragmatically. That is not what Labour has always wanted. Traditionally, it has been a unicameralist party wanting no second chamber of any sort which could revise, amend or delay anything that a Labour government with a sweeping majority might wish to enact.

It has by and large been Labour's opposition to reform which has stood in the way of an agreed all-party solution to the reform of the Upper House ever since the war. The Conservatives (Lord Home's Review Committee in 1978 most notably) have been most active in producing schemes for a reformed second chamber, perceiving correctly that the more the House of Lords lacked credibility by virtue of its composition, the greater the risk of its abolition and a consequently unfettered elective dictatorship of the Commons.

Only in 1968-69 did a Labour government venture to tackle the problem, when the late Richard Crossman brought in a Bill for Lords' reform based on a bargain between the two front-benches. This faced protracted resistance from the Labour left (who did not want a second chamber of any sort) allied with Conservative traditionalist objectors, Mr Enoch Powell and Mr Michael Foot, fighting in the same cause for opposite reasons.

The outcome was that the Wilson Government withdrew the Bill. During Labour's leftwards swing in the late seventies and early eighties its conference commitment to total abolition became unequivocal.

In the 1983 general election under Mr Foot Labour offered a manifesto commitment to total abolition; an alternative reformed chamber was repudiated. In 1987, however, abolition was dropped, allegedly for lack of time. "I would like to do it but I don't think it's going to be on," said Mr Kinnock on television. At the next election it will clearly be back again, but will it be for total abolition or replacement?

Mr Hattersley's instincts as a long-time unicameralist are, like Mr Kinnock's, for total abolition. But his head is apparently beginning to resist his heart on the matter.

Labour has long preferred an Upper House that it can ridicule and then abolish, hoping for a Commons majority free of all constitutional constraints. That, however, is not in the public interest. The attitude to Lords' reform will be an important test not only of the genuineness of Labour's revisionism but of its claim to democratic credentials.

STRENGTH IN RESERVE

The campaign which was launched yesterday in support of this country's reserve forces must be seen against one of Nato's most intractable problems — the very different demands of war and peace. Divided by the Atlantic and preoccupied by competing economic priorities, the Western democracies rely heavily on the rapid mobilization of reserves on the outbreak of war — or, preferably, some days before it. In the event of a European war, the Alliance now looks to its reserves to provide about half of its troops on the central front.

Approximately one-third of the British Army on mobilization would consist of part-time soldiers of one kind or another. Those proportions are much higher in certain areas — around 80 per cent for medical units for instance. The other two services are also to some extent dependent on reserves. About 60 per cent of the minesweeping work around British coasts would be carried out by the Royal Naval Reserve, while the Royal Auxiliary Air Force would be responsible for the defence of 40 per cent of the strategic airfields in this country.

The problem of recruiting volunteer reserves in peacetime, however, is equalled only by the difficulty in retaining them. The Territorial Army has a present establishment of 86,000 and is gradually expanding to a target of 90,000 by 1990. But its actual strength now is only 76,000. Even if it succeeds in finding enough recruits to plug the gaps, its 30 per cent annual turnover suggests that by no means all will stay. An improvement in the retention rate is rightly considered the most cost-effective way to increase manpower.

It was this reasoning which prompted the Prime Minister two years ago to set up the National Employer Liaison Committee (NELC). Although family pressures and personal whim account for the premature resignation of many volunteers, the most significant single reason is held to be the lack of enthusiasm among employers. The number of Britain's captains of industry who have served in the forces themselves has dwindled in recent years. The bonds which once existed between the modern TA and those who served in it during the Seond World War have been loosened.

Yet the same employer who would view with some scepticism the weekend military exploits of his "Under Manager (Sales)" might happily pay some exorbitant fee to instil in his staff qualities of leadership and decision making. To some extent, the services can provide such training free. On that reasoning, companies should encourage military training for their staff.

Dependence upon reserves is not confined to the West. The Warsaw Pact armies would more than double in size on mobilization. Like most of the Nato allies, however, they have a large ready-made contingent of ex-regulars who retain a reserve commitment on leaving the colours. Britain, with relatively small forces, has to rely heavily on volunteers to make up numbers.

With defence budgets coming under increasing pressure, the more use one can make of reserve forces, the better. The TA for instance, while about half the size of the regular Army in peacetime, keeps going on only 5 per cent of the budget. The Prime Minister's personal backing for the present initiative is therefore to be welcomed.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Disputed use of TV frequencies

From the Director of Engineering, Independent Broadcasting Authority

Sir, Dr Tom Margerison (September 17) correctly identifies the very important future role for broadcasting of a more local character. However, the large transmission stations which he suggests could be replaced by many local stations are the most efficient users of the radio spectrum and the more efficient in terms of operating costs.

A large transmitting station with a wide coverage area brings television to those it serves for a cost counted in pence per household per year, while for a small relay station serving a local community the cost can be 100 times this figure.

Although our utilisation of the frequencies presently available to television is highly efficient, we are examining ways in which this may be further improved. Each of the 44 frequency channels allocated to television in the Stockholm Plan of 1961 is re-used on average some 80 times in widely-separated geographical areas.

Replacing the large stations by many small ones would lead to reduced efficiency in the use of the spectrum. One wonders too if a substantial increase in the number of transmitting masts around the country would be environmentally acceptable.

Clearly though, a way forward to allow the development of the more local character in television needs to be found. We are actively investigating what greater degree of local coverage can be obtained by simple reconfigurations of the existing network, by local opt-out facilities, and by using new technologies.

Multipoint video distribution systems (MVDS) also offer interesting possibilities for the future but, as Dr Margerison indicates, there are limitations which have to be addressed. It is indeed questionable whether viewers, already faced with an increasing number of "black boxes" in the home, would readily invest in yet another to receive MVDS transmissions.

We are therefore investigating MVDS techniques, using the same frequency band and receiving equipment as those for the UK direct-to-home (DBS) satellite transmissions, due to start in a year's time. In this way a more coherent and flexible approach to the evolution of broadcasting technology may be achieved.

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September 19.

Principles at stake in prison reform

From Sir Leon Radzinowicz, FBA

Sir, The Home Office Green Paper on private sector involvement in the remand system, issued at the end of July, contended that this would not raise "any over-riding difficulty of principle", providing that sensible practical safeguards are built into the system.

Complex constitutional arrangements and subtle administrative processes — all deeply embedded in the life of the nation — give form and substance to the concept of criminal justice. From it flow political, social and ethical consequences. By this I mean that in a democracy grounded on the rule of law and public accountability the enforcement of penal legislation, which includes prisoners deprived of their liberty while awaiting trial, should be the undiluted responsibility of the State.

It is one thing for private companies to provide services to the prison system but it is an altogether different matter for bodies whose motivation is primarily commercial to have coercive powers over prisoners.

The experience I gained when I had the privilege to serve as a non-executive director of Securicor provided me with valuable evidence of the absolute necessity of drawing and maintaining a firm line of demarcation between the task of guarding persons and property, which can be carried out by private companies, and the task of enforcing the criminal law, which should be the function of public authorities.

The example of contracting-out which the paper regards as "particularly relevant in the present context (because it involves custodial duties)" is the custody and escorting of persons detained under the Immigration Act of 1971. To use this as a justification is to step on a slippery slope. In any case it is, to say the least, a strained comparison with the role and responsibilities assigned to the remand system as an integral part of the criminal justice system.

Though cautious and critical, the paper draws upon recent developments of a similar nature in the United States. They have been found "of course helpful". The sooner this comparative flirtation is given up the better. The standard of the penitentiary network of America (with a very few exceptions) is the lowest of the leading countries of the world. This is a sad but incontrovertible penal fact.

The paper cheerfully anticipates that private contractors may be able to tap new sources of able employees at various levels and there is no reason to believe that people with the talents necessary to staff privately managed operations could not be found.

This surely is the best way to go about lowering the already low morale of the regular staff of the prison service.

Is what we are being offered a self-contained operation? Or is it but the beginning of a much more expanded approach? The paper provides no definite assurances on this, but a careful reading tends to suggest the second.

No one can deny that the English prison system is in a state of acute crisis. But in searching for new ways to overcome the grave problems of the prison system the Home Secretary should not embrace a solution which will subvert the fundamental principle that the administration of criminal justice is the business of the State.

Yours sincerely,
LEON RADZINOWICZ,
As from Trinity College,
Cambridge.
September 17.

Keeping heart of Covent Garden

From Mr Joss Ackland and others

Sir, Although sympathetic to the Royal Opera House's need to improve its premises, we have supported the Covent Garden Community Association's legal challenge, now in the Court of Appeal, to the proposed Opera House development plan.

This plan will tear the fabric of the conservation area of Covent Garden by destroying 13 historic buildings, all but one façade of the listed Floral Hall and by building 225,000 sq ft of offices and shops, a car park for 300 vehicles and improvements to the Opera House.

This destruction might be excused if the scheme provided an opera house of world class which will satisfy the technical and artistic requirements of the next century. This it fails to do.

The expert opinions of the Theatres Trust and the Association of British Theatre Technicians are that many of the proposed improvements are inadequate. This scheme has less dead storage space than the condemned Floral Hall provided and gives the public only 13 extra seats. It surrounds the Opera House with offices and allows no room for future expansion.

The Royal Opera House does not intend to start work on its improvements until 1993. There is ample time to find alternative means of funding the work other than by building office blocks.

The House of Lords has recently studied Lord Birkett's proposal for an arts lottery and the Home Office is currently considering the implications. Sydney Opera House was built in this way and many German opera houses are similarly funded. By adopting this approach the Government has a tremendous opportunity to show its concern not only for the arts but also for England's architectural heritage.

If the community association's challenge fails — a challenge, incidentally, on legal precedents rather than the environmental aspects of the case — the Royal Opera House will be able to proceed with a scheme which provides inadequately for its own needs, causes devastation to Covent Garden and squanders the one chance of using the land adjoining the Opera House for its own use.

Alternatively the Government could exercise its powers to call in the application and hold an inquiry where all the implications could be tested and debated in public.

Yours faithfully,
JOSS ACKLAND,
DOROTHY TUTIN,
JOCELYN HERBERT,
ALAN AYCKBOURN,
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14a Goodwins Court,
St Martins Lane, WC2.
September 20.

Credit and debt

From the Director of Familybase

Sir, There is concern in your columns (leader, September 8) about relying on interest rates as the only means of restraining a consumer-led boom. Many feel that traditional measures to control consumer spending still have a role in the economic armoury. There are also moral arguments in favour of legal constraints on consumer borrowing.

Consumer debt breaks up families. In our small but detailed survey of people in debt, published in January this year, 25 per cent of those married said that their marriages had broken up as a result of debt, and another 25 per cent said their marriages would have broken up if they had not received timely professional money advice. One factor in the breakdown of family life in Britain appears to be the growth of consumer credit!

However good credit scoring techniques become, they will never predict the incidence of debt accurately. We found that in the majority of cases debt arises, not from the carelessness of the borrower, but owing to some unforeseen event such as a pregnancy or a redundancy. The only way for a family to guard against debt effectively is to have savings against a rainy day.

What, then, is the morality of advertising which tries to persuade people to use credit? Surely in the interests of individual and family well-being we should discourage borrowing as we used to, through such means as controls on bank lending and minimum deposit requirements on consumer durables.

Yours faithfully,
MICHAEL SCHLUTER,
Director, Familybase,
Jubilee House,
3 Hooper Street, Cambridge.
September 14.

Churchyard care

From Mrs Susan Cowdy

Sir, It is good to see (report, early editions, September 15) that the Church of England has updated its warning to parochial church councils against the cult of the lawnmower.

The Diocese of Oxford and the Berkshire, Buckinghamshire and Oxfordshire Naturalists' Trust have just produced a leaflet on the need for wildlife conservation in Buckinghamshire churchyards, based on a botanical report on 233 church and chapel graveyards. The churchyard is often the only site left where once common "parish flowers" still survive.

Here, in the Chiltern village of The Lee, the graveyard is looked after by two understanding country people. Patches of primroses, betony, devils' bit and harebells thrive and are a haven for butterflies. Years ago these flowers grew in the surrounding meadows, but now we have no meadows.

In recent years it has become fashionable, with the removal of kerbstones, to create a billiard table-like sward. It is sometimes difficult to persuade those with tidy eyes that a patch of rough grass can become a miniature nature reserve.

Yours etc,
SUSAN COWDY,
The Lee,
Great Missenden,
Buckinghamshire.

From Mrs Rosemary Bashford

Sir, Clifford Longley writes today of the importance of churchyards in the preservation of wildlife.

Here in Alcester our Venture Scout unit undertook a conservation project in our churchyard and won a conservation award.

As our environmental awareness grows, many young people want to work on conservation projects. Churchyards offer excellent possibilities and liaison between church and local groups would benefit the whole community.

Yours faithfully,
ROSEMARY BASHFORD,
25 Meadow Road,
Alcester, Warwickshire.
September 15.

Tories in Europe

From Mr Christopher M. Jackson (MEP for Kent East (Conservative))

Sir, You report (September 17) that Conservative members in Strasbourg have been "ordered" by the Prime Minister to put Britain first and promote Thatcherite policies, and that David Waddington, MP, the Chief Whip, had been sent to Strasbourg "to give a dressing down to 45 British MEPs". As a member of the bureau of our parliamentary party I can tell you these assertions are untrue.

We appreciated David Waddington taking time during the recess to visit Strasbourg, as our gypsy life does not make it easy for MEPs to maintain the contact we would wish with Westminster. The visit was a great success.

It is true that the Single European Act gives us a greater say in the all-important legislation for 1992; and the narrow majority of the centre-right gives especial importance to next year's elections for the European Parliament.

The key to it is obtaining a Europe-wide majority to fend off mistaken socialist nostrums, and continue our work of ensuring that new EEC legislation reflects the Thatcherite principles which are bringing Britain such great benefit. "Orders", indeed!

Yours faithfully,
CHRISTOPHER JACKSON,
8 Wellmeade Drive,
Sevenoaks, Kent.
September 17.

South Bank music

From the Chairman of the South Bank Board

Sir, We read with great interest Mr Richard Morrison's article in last Saturday's *Times* (September 17). He is of course quite right in saying that we are trying to raise artistic standards, and if in the process we make a few mistakes — and ruffle a few feathers — I can assure you that we never do so deliberately.

I would say that on the whole our co-operation with the principal orchestras works very smoothly, even if occasionally they find us a bit bossy; and, by the way, at least 75 per cent of what goes on in the Royal Festival Hall is not programmed by us at all but represents, as in the past, initiatives by promoters or by the orchestras themselves.

Finally, may I correct your point about the German Arts Festival last year. We had nothing whatsoever to do with its programming, nor indeed its fund-raising, and it was entirely the organisers' choice to stage some of their events on the South Bank.

Yours sincerely,
R. H. GRIERSON,
Executive Chairman,
South Bank Board,
Royal Festival Hall, SE1.
September 19.

Burma's presidents

From Mr Myint Zan

Sir, Your editorial about Burma ("Distant daggers", September 10) stated that Win Maung was the first president of independent Burma in 1948. In fact, Mahn Win Maung became president in 1957, nearly 10 years after Burma became independent.

Burma's first "provisional" president was the late Sao Shwe Thaike, and he was succeeded by the late Dr (formerly Sir) Ba U in 1952, who also was the first chief justice of independent Burma. Dr Ba U is ordinarily considered to be Burma's first "full-fledged" president after independence.

Yours faithfully,
MYINT ZAN,
2 Queensway,
Frimley, Camberley, Surrey.

Not so rich

From Mr N. J. W. Appleton

Sir, I read with interest Alexandra Jackson's feature, "Growing older, getting richer", (Family Money, September 10). It is certainly important that commercial companies and financial institutions take more seriously the market opportunities which exist in meeting the needs of older people.

Whilst "growing older, getting richer" may characterise a proportion of the population of older people, it hardly represents a balanced view. Of the 10.2 million people of pensionable age, most depend heavily, if not solely, on State retirement pension and as many as 4.2 million need housing benefit simply to meet their rent and rates; hardly indicators of "getting richer".

The problems of providing housing and care services in old age are very far from solved. An optimistic but partial market forecast for a range of solutions restricted by income only touches the edge of the problem. The value of one's home to future legatees is slim consolation when you cannot afford to heat it properly through the winter.

For some it may be growing older, getting richer, but for the majority it is growing older and still struggling!

Yours faithfully,
NIGEL J. W. APPLETON
Anchor Housing Trust,
Anchor House,
269a Banbury Road,
Oxford.
September 16.

Doing the splits

From Mr Eric Pearce

Sir, However anxious Dr Barlow (September 2) may be to end sentences with prepositions, he would not, I am sure, approve of the reply of the Nanny who was asked by her charge to read to him from *Fox's Book of Martyrs*: "Lawks, Master Robert. What did you choose that book to be read out of from for?"

Yours faithfully,
ERIC PEARCE,
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Highfield Road,
West Byfleet, Surrey.

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Stung into action

From Mr Peter Brasier

Sir, Dr Thomas Stuttaford (Medical Briefing, September 15) refers to a sting from a weaver fish but does not mention the treatment for this extremely painful condition demonstrated for me several years ago in Guernsey by the St John's Ambulance Centre.

The treatment consisted of placing the affected part in a bowl of very hot water and repeating as necessary. Within seconds the pain decreased and within minutes I was left with a dull ache and a sore toe but no other ill effects. I still have a small scar and the memory of the agonising pain.

Weaver fish stings appear to be rare. Those who do get stung may be grateful for the knowledge of a very simple and successful treatment.

Yours faithfully,
PETER BRASIER,
26 Chalkeith Road,
Needham Market,
Ipswich,
Suffolk.
September 15.

Bullion fraud

From Mr H. L. Smith

Sir, I read today (report, September 14) of yet another gold bullion VAT fraud which no doubt involved extensive and costly police and customs investigation and an equally costly seven-month trial. Would not a considerable saving to Inland Revenue be made by returning gold bullion to its former VAT zero-rated status?

Yours faithfully,
H. L. SMITH,
The Elms, Seisdon,
Wolverhampton, West Midlands.
September 14.

Older and wiser

From Dr Allan H. Briggs

Sir, I recently dined at a pretentious local hotel. When presented with an exorbitant bill for an indifferent meal, I drew the waiter's attention to a prominent notice which offered "special reductions for old age pensioners".

"That, Sir", he explained disdainfully, "relates not to our charges, but to the size of the portions". We have been warned.

Yours etc,
ALLAN H. BRIGGS,
Birkendale Lodge,
Church Lane, Lincoln.

COURT AND SOCIAL

COURT CIRCULAR

BUCKINGHAM PALACE
September 21: Lady Abel Smith has succeeded Lady Susan Hussey as Lady in Waiting to The Queen.

September 21: The Duchess of York left Heathrow Airport, London this evening for Australia, where Her Royal Highness will join the Duke of York for an official visit.

His Royal Highness, as The Queen's Personal Representative, will be the Reviewing Officer at the Australian Bi-Centennial Naval Review in Sydney on 1st October.

Mrs Helen Spooner, Lieutenant-Colonel Sean O'Dwyer, Commander Brian Gorringe, RAN, and Mr Geoffrey Crawford are in attendance.

KENSINGTON PALACE
September 21: The Princess of Wales, President, Dr Barnardo's, this morning visited the Charity's Yorkshire offices at Four Gables, Clarence Road, Horsforth, Leeds.

Her Royal Highness this afternoon visited Martin House Children's Hospice, Boston Spa, West Yorkshire.

Her Royal Highness, attended by Miss Anne Beckwith-Smith and Lieutenant Commander Patrick Jephson, RN, travelled in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight.

KENSINGTON PALACE
September 21: Princess Alice, Duchess of Gloucester, Patron, British Limbless Ex-Service Men's Association, was present this afternoon at a Reception at the Ancaster Home, Crieff, Perthshire, to mark the occasion of the Home's Silver Jubilee.

Mrs Michael Harvey was in attendance.

The Duke of Gloucester, Honorary Colonel, Royal Monmouthshire Royal Engineers (Militia) today visited the Regiment on Annual Camp in Inverness.

Lieutenant-Colonel Sir Simon Bland was in attendance.

The Duchess of Gloucester, President of National Children's Home, this morning visited the San Jai Project, Hill Street, Glasgow, and subsequently attended a Reception given by Her Majesty's Lord Lieutenant for the City of Glasgow (Mrs Susan Baird, the Right Hon Lord Provost) at the City Chambers.

In the afternoon Her Royal Highness opended the new Museum of Transport, Kelvin Hall, Glasgow.

Mrs Euan McConquodale was in attendance.

Their Royal Highnesses travelled in an aircraft of No 32 Squadron, Royal Air Force Northolt.

YORK HOUSE
ST JAMES'S PALACE
September 21: The Duke of Kent, a Non-Executive Director of Vickers plc, today opened the new facilities of Rolls-Royce Motor Cars International SA in Saint-Prex, Switzerland.

Sir Richard Buckley was in attendance.

THATCHED HOUSE LODGE
September 21: Princess Alexandra, President of World Wide Fund for Nature - United Kingdom, this afternoon received Mr Michael Werikhe and representatives of the organization supporting Rhino Walk UK.

A service of thanksgiving for the lives of Mr Andrew Crawley and Mr Randall Crawley will be held on Thursday, October 13, at noon, at St Michael's, Chester Square.

The funeral and requiem Mass for Mrs Peter Edwards will be held privately in France on Monday, September 26, 1988. Flowers may be sent care of Maison Borniol, 50 Boulevard Malesherbes, Paris VIIIe. A memorial service will be held in Hong Kong in early October on a date to be announced.

The call of Kilvert echoes out from Clyro festival

From a Correspondent

The publication of Kilvert's diary 50 years ago is being commemorated this week in the Welsh border village of Clyro, where the bearded Victorian curate began his journal in 1870.

Four days of events, supported by the Kilvert Society, will be centred on the parish church, whose leaking roof will benefit from the profits.

The festival, which starts tomorrow, is expected to draw Kilvert devotees from all over Britain and a number from abroad, including the United States. There will be church services, exhibitions, a harvest supper, a penny reading and guided tours.

The original notebooks that Francis Kilvert left when he died in 1879 were heavily expurgated by his widow. What remained was kept within the family for nearly 60 years before begin offered to the publishers by a nephew.

Kilvert, an incurable romantic, was even less lucky in love. As a Clyro curate he earned £90 a year and marriage eluded him until the age of 38. He died of peritonitis within a month of the honeymoon.

Much of his favourite village in the shadow of the Black Mountains is outwardly unchanged. The house where he lodged is now an art gallery and in Hay-on-Wye, just across the river, the stationers' shop where he bought his notebooks is still in business and a listed building.

There is no curate in Clyro these days. The parish, along with four others, is tended by the Rev Martin Reed from Glasbury, five miles away. A cheerfully practical man who admits he has never read the diary straight through, Mr Reed agrees that there is no getting away from Kilvert.

"But, of course, it is a different sort of job today. I have got 1,500 people to care for in an area three times the size of Kilvert's and five church buildings to maintain. I cannot know everything that goes on here.

"The main point of the festival, apart from having a good time, is to get the church roof repaired."

A gallant gesture by David Butler surprised the Princess of Wales after he presented her with a portrait of herself during a visit to the Dr Barnardo's offices at Leeds yesterday.

OBITUARY

LORD BALFOUR of INCHRYE

Gallant airman and Battle of Britain Air Minister

Lord Balfour of Inchrye, PC, MC and Bar, who died yesterday at the age of 90, was a long-serving Conservative politician and junior air minister at the time of the Battle of Britain.

Harold Balfour had a zestful personality which made him forever youthful in outlook. He will be best remembered as the dynamic junior minister who was Under Secretary of State for Air during the Battle of Britain, himself personally testing the fighter aircraft which won that victory.

He had served with great gallantry as an airman in the First World War, when he won the Military Cross with Bar, and the Croix de Guerre. He described some of his wartime flying experiences with modesty and humour in a book which he entitled *An Airman Marches*.

Harold Harington Balfour was born on November 1, 1897. He was educated at Chilverton Ends, Dover, and the Royal Naval College, Osborne. On the outbreak of the 1914-18 War he was commissioned in the 60th Rifles but in 1915 he was attached to the Royal Flying Corps and qualified as a pilot.

Between spells of active service on the Western front he was employed as a test pilot at Upavon and as a Flight Commander at the School of Special Flying, at Gosport.

After winning his first Military Cross he was shot down in a low level reconnaisance over Vimy Ridge in May 1917 and invalided home. He later returned to the front and was awarded the Bar to his MC and his Croix de Guerre.

After the war Balfour continued to serve for four years in what had now become the Royal Air Force and he was one of the original flying instructors at Cranwell.

He then turned to business, journalism and politics. After an unsuccessful attempt at West Ham in 1924 he was elected to Parliament for the Isle of Thanet in 1929 and represented the constituency continuously until 1945. As a back-bencher he took an enthusiastic interest in the development of the RAF and civil air transport and in 1938 he was appointed Under-Secretary of State for Air.

There could have been no more suitable appointment. Balfour devoted all his immense energy and enthusiasm to seconding the work of his chiefs in the major effort to expand and equip the RAF in those dangerous and crucial years, and he helped create a civilian reserve of pilots.

Before and during the war he personally flight tested almost every new type of military aircraft, from the Hurricane and Spitfire to the Mosquito and Typhoon. In all he flew more than 100 different types of aircraft.

He was particularly associated with the plan for training pilots for the RAF in Commonwealth countries and he made several war-time visits to the flying training schools in Canada, South Africa and Rhodesia.

In 1943 he was sworn of the Privy Council, and at the time of his death was the longest serving PC.

He was happy at the Air Ministry, serving with men of his own breed, and it caused him a pang to leave it in November 1944 to accept the post of Minister Resident in West Africa.

When the war ended Balfour received his peerage and devoted himself to political life afresh in the House of Lords.

His war-time experiences had made him an ardent propagandist for the Commonwealth and Empire, as a political and economic assocation, and when the Colonies were merged in a wider Commonwealth of independent nations he did not change his views. He vigorously opposed the policy of linking Britain's future with the Common Market.

From 1946 to 1949 he was president of the Federation of Chambers of Commerce of the British Empire and from 1956 to 1960 he was president of the Commonwealth and Empire Industries Association.

He had also been a non-executive member of the board of British European Airways and chairman of BEA Helicopters.

Balfour was married in 1921 to Diana Blanche Harvey, daughter of Sir Robert G. Harvey, Bt. This marriagen was dissolved in 1946. In 1947 he married Mary Ainslie Profumo, daughter of Lord Profumo, KC. They had one daughter.

The heir to the peerage is his son by his first marriage, the Hon Ian Balfour.

ROY KINNEAR

Roy Kinnear, who died on September 20, aged 54, after an accident while filming in Spain, was an actor who in the theatre had played in most kinds of production between the classics and cockney comedy. He had a distinctive gulping voice that became familiar also in the cinema and on television

A short, plump, balding man with an easily crumpled face, he could give the impression that he was falling over backwards. He was a comic blusterer with a nervous half-stifled laugh that he used to great effect.

Joan Littlewood spotted him in 1959 and invited him to join her company at Stratford East. There he appeared during the late 1950s and early 1960s in such shows as *Make Me An Offer*, *Sparrers Can't Sing* (both of which went to the West End) and *Big Soft Nellie*.

In the early 1960s he became nationally known as one of the resident team of the mould-breaking BBC TV satire show, *That Was The Week That Was*.

He later had his own series, *Inside George Webley*, a marital comedy by Keith Waterhouse and Willis Hall, and played the manager of a dishonest building firm in *Cowboys*.

He appeared, too, in many television commercials and caused a stir in 1978 by turning up virtually nude in two government advertisements to publicise home improvement grants. He later played a Roman centurion extolling the virtues of Peterborough.

He was a familiar figure in films, starting with the screen version of *Sparrers Can't Sing* and including, among many others, *Help!*, with the Beatles, *The Three Musketeers* and *One of Our Dinosaurs is Missing*. It was while working in a sequel to *The Three Musketeers* that he met his death.

He was born at Wigan on January 8, 1934, the son of a rugby international in both the union and league codes, and was educated at his father's school, Heriot's, in Edinburgh.

At 17 he joined the Royal Academy of Dramatic Art, and gained his early acting experience in repertory.

His natural comic personality kept him fully engaged (and on the best of terms with his colleagues) and brought him in time to such theatres as the Royal Shakespeare where he was Touchstone and Baptista in 1967, and the National (accurately cast as Sancho in *The Travails of Sancho Panza*, 1969).

His happy idiosyncracies were also seen in pantomime.

Recent stage roles included the anxious landowner, Pishchik in *The Cherry Orchard* at the National (1985) and Birdboot and Dangle in the double bill of Stoppard's *The Real Inspector Hound* and Sheridan's *The Critic*. Last year he played the protean Common Man in a West End revival of *A Man For All Seasons* (Savoy).

He was married to Carmel Cryan. They had three children.

CHRISTINE NORDEN

Christine Norden, who in the late 1940s enjoyed brief stardom in British films after being discovered in a London cinema queue, died yesterday at the age of 63.

Born Molly Thornton, the daughter of a Sunderland bus driver, she went straight from school into wartime forces shows.

It was while queueing to see a Ray Milland film in Edgware Road that she was spotted by an American army photographer. He showed her picture to the Hungarian-born producer, Sir Alexander Korda, who put her under contract.

She and Korda later had a close personal relationship, though she declined his offer of marriage.

In her first film, a thriller *Night Beat* which appeared in 1947, she played a night club singer who murders her lover. Though it was only a modest second feature, she immediately caught the public imagination and was voted one of Britain's top ten box-office stars.

A busty blonde, with high cheekbones and slanting green eyes, she went on to appear in Korda's *An Ideal Husband* and the Nigel Balchin story, *Mine Own Executioner*.

She was promoted as a sex symbol and lived up to the publicity by appearing at film premieres in low-cut dresses. But her popularity proved short-lived and she made only six more films, the last in 1951.

The following year she left Britain to marry an American, Mitchell Dodge, the third of her five husbands.

Norden returned to Britain in the late 1970s but was forced to advertise for work in the trade paper, *The Stage*. Though she had occasional small parts in the theatre and on television, her career never revived.

Her first husband was the bandleader, Norman Cole, and her second, Jack Clayton, who went on to become a distinguished director with films like *Room At the Top*, *the Pumpkin Eater* and *The Great Gatsby*.

She had a son by her first marriage.

DR WILLIAM EVANS

Dr William Evans, the distinguished cardiologist, died on September 20 at the age of 92.

As well as being a prolific author on the subject, Evans was recognised as the best teacher of British cardiology of his time. Those he instructed remember him as a master exponent of bedside teaching, always emphasizing basic principles of cardiology which have stood the test of time.

Evans was educated at the University of Wales, and at The London Hospital, where he had a brilliant undergraduate career.

He was Physician to the Cardiac Department at The London Hospital, to The National Heart Hospital and The Institute of Cardiology and wasalso honorary consultant cardiologist to the Royal Navy and the Royal Society of Musicians.

Evans was also a founder member of the British Cardiac Society, a member of the American Heart Association and one of the prime instigators of the British Heart Foundation.

From 1929 until his retirement his contributions to medical literature were vast and he wrote at least 100 scientific papers in national and international journals, including 41 in *The British Heart Journal*.

In addition, he wrote five books relating to cardiology.

Most of his writings were major contributions to our knowledge of heart disease and all cardiologists respected him for his honesty, sincerity, common sense and his unique capability to convey a message.

Evans's eminence as a cardiologist led to him being invited to at least 10 national and international lectureships in many world centres.

He received the Sydney Body gold medal in Cardiology in 1954 and was awarded an Honorary Fellowship of the Royal Society of Medicine in 1976.

After retirement he returned to his native Tregaron, Dyfed, to enjoy the landscape he knew so well, to help on the farm and enjoy his hobbies of stonemasonry and fishing.

He continued to write, and published four books, one of which, *The Diary of a Welsh Swagmann* (1975) won the approbation of the Australian Education Authority, which included it as part of the Australian history curriculum.

Wales honoured one of its most distinguished Welsh speaking sons in the only ways possible. Thus he was High Sheriff of his native county, honorary member of the Order of Druids and the recipient of an Honorary Doctorate of Science

His wife, Christina, whom he married in 1936, died in 1964.

Mrs Rani Zubeida Dhanrajgir, who has died in Bombay at the age of 77, was the first Indian actress to star in talking pictures. A popular figure in silent movies in the 1920s she had played in over thirty films when sound was introduced into the India cinema in 1931.

She received an award for her performance in *Alam Ara*, India's first talkie, which was made in that year.

Today's royal engagements

The Princess of Wales will visit St Catherine's Hospice, Malthouse Road, Crawley, West Sussex, at 10.30; and will visit the control tower, Gatwick Airport, at 12.00.

Prince Edward will present the Westminster Ribbon Anti-Drug Awards and attend a buffet luncheon at the Rock Garden, Covent Garden, at 12.00.

The Duke of Gloucester, President of the British Consultants Bureau, will open a seminar on The Single European Market 1992 at The Queen Elizabeth II Conference Centre, SW1 at 9.30; as President of the Institute of Advanced Motorists he will attend a reception and present an award to the 200,000 members of the institute at the Savoy Hotel at 6.15.

The Duchess of Gloucester will visit the 1988 Dairy Farming event of the Royal Association of British Dairy Farmers, at the National Agricultural Centre, Stoneleigh, Warwickshire, at 11.00.

Princess Alexandra will attend a charity evening of the Unicorn Heritage Exhibition, *Royal Britain*, in aid of the Mental Health Foundation, at the Unicorn House, Aldersgate Street, at 6.46.

Prince Michael of Kent, as a Gold Card Life Member of the Variety Club, accompanied by Princess Michael, will be the guests of honour at the Dorchester Ball at the Dorchester hotel at 8.20.

Princess Michael of Kent, as a Trustee of the Victoria and Albert Museum, will attend a board meeting at the museum at 1.00.

Birthdays today

Dr Dannie Abse, poet, 65; Sir George Cartland, former vice-chancellor, University of Tasmania, 76; Miss Maria Charles, actress, 59; Professor S.E. Finer, former professor of government, 73; Mr William Franklyn, actor, 62; Mr Colin Graham, opera director, 57; Sir James Henry former chairman, Foreign Compensation Commission, 77; Professor F.G.T. Holliday, vice-chancellor, Durham University, 53; Mr Graham Jones, headmaster, Repton School, 44; Miss Deborah Lavin, principal, Trevelyan College, Durham, 49; Professor Norbert Lynton, art historian, 61; Sir Charles Mander, company chairman, 67; Sir Nigel Mobbs, chairman, Slough Estates, 51; Lord Moran, 64; Captain Mark Phillips, 40; Colonel Sir Joseph Weld, former Lord Lieutenant of Dorset, 79; Miss Fay Weldon, writer, 57; Sir John Wickerson, former president, Law Society, 51; the Hon George Younger, MP, 57.

Service luncheons

HMS Erebus 1928
Members of the Collingwood and Barham Terms, who joined HMS Erebus on September 21, 1928, held an anniversary luncheon at the Naval and Military Club yesterday. Captain T.B. Yates presided.

Royal Monmouthshire Royal Engineers (Militia)
The Duke of Gloucester, Honorary Colonel of the Royal Monmouthshire Royal Engineers (Militia), was the guest of honour at a luncheon given by the officers of the regiment at Cameron Barracks, Inverness, yesterday. Lieutenant-Colonel N.F. Mulliner, Commanding Officer, presided. Among others present were:

The Lord Lieutenant for Inverness-shire, the Provost of Inverness, the Chief Constable of Inverness, the Commander of 30 Engineer Brigade and Major R Simpson.

St Bees School

Viscount Whitelaw, CH, Chairman of the Governors of St Bees School, formally opened the new sports hall on Old St Beghians' Day, Saturday, September 17. The hall represents the final phase of the development programme undertaken during the Quatercentenary Appeal and the school wishes to thank all those who donated so generously and to express its gratitude to the Appeal Director, Mr William Fox. The appeal is being renewed to provide a Business Management Centre at the school which will enable the introduction of business studies courses and the expansion of the facilities for information technology. Inquiries concerning this project and the renewed appeal may be addressed to the Appeal Director, Barony House, St Bees, Cumbria, CA27 0DP.

College of Graphology

The new academic year at the College of Graphology begins on October 3. An open evening will be held at the Park Lane Hotel, Piccadilly, London, W1, on *September 28, from 6 to 8 pm*. Any inquiries, please telephone: 01-874 0578.

Luncheon

HM Government
The Hon Alan Clark, Minister for Trade, was host yesterday at a luncehon held at Lancaster House in honour of Dr Robert Graf, Economic Minister of Austria.

State visit

The Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh will pay a state visit to Spain from October 17 to 21, Buckingham Palace announced yesterday.

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Forthcoming marriages

Mr D.R.A. Bott and Miss V.F. Goodenough
The engagement is announced between Richard, younger son of Dr and Mrs Edward Bott, of Manor Fields, Moreton Morrell, Warwickshire, and Victoria, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs Roger Goodenough, of Broadwell Manor, Lechlade, Gloucestershire.

Dr A.R. Claxton and Miss E.M. Penn
The engagement is announced between Andrew, son of Mr and Mrs Derek Claxton, of Northenden, Manchester, and Erica, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs Christopher Penn, of Hale, Cheshire.

Mr N.S.G. Embiricos and Miss T. Reynolds
The engagement is announced between Nicholas, son of Mr S.N. Embiricos, of Kirdford, West Sussex, and Mrs Undine Gregson, of Alfold, Surrey, and Tracy, daughter of Mr and Mrs Stan Reynolds, of Twickenham, Middlesex.

Mr R.A.C. Hughes and Miss S.M. Gower Williams
The engagement is announced between Robin, younger son of Mr and Mrs M.J. Hughes, of Beaconsfield, Buckinghamshire, and Sarah, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs Ian Gower Williams, of East Horsley, Surrey.

Mr T.G.F. Lord and Miss R.G. Le Hardy
The engagement is announced between Timothy, twin son of Mr M.H.F. Lord, of Goudhurst, Kent, and the late Mrs M.A. Lord, and Rosemary, second daughter of Wing Commander A.W.G. Le Hardy, OBE, RAF (retd), of Bruxelles, and Mrs J.I. Le Hardy, of Winkfield and Ibiza.

Mr A.G. Munro and Miss J.E. Bull
The engagement is announced between Graeme, son of Mr and Mrs Wm.A. Munro, of Broughty Ferry, Dundee, and Janet, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs D.F.P. Bull, of Calcot, Berkshire.

Second Lieutenant S.A. Moore and Second Lieutenant J.C. Smith
The engagement is announced between Simon, eldest son of Commander and Mrs A.C. Moore, of Trudoxhill, Somerset, and Juliet, daughter of Mr Kenneth Smith, of Montigny-sur-Loing, France, and Mrs Rita Hanson, of Chavey Down, Berkshire.

Mr R.P. Ogdon and Miss J.J. Rockley
The engagement is announced between Richard, son of Mr and Mrs John Ogdon, of London, SW10, and Jessica, elder daughter of the late Dr Anthony Rockley and of Mrs P. Aikens and stepdaughter of Mr Richard Aikens, of London, W11.

Mr J.R. Whitmee and Miss D.J. Harrison
The engagement is announced between James, eldest son of Mr and Mrs P.A.B. Whitmee, of Iver, Buckinghamshire, and Deborah, youngest daughter of the late Mr A.C. Harrison and Mrs A.B. Bailey, of Northampton.

Marriage

Mr A.C.V. Dolbey and Miss S.A.J. Murray-Philipson
The Princess of Wales and the Duchess of York were present at the marriage on Saturday, September 17, 1988 at the Church of St Peter and St Paul, Uppingham, Rutland, of Mr Alexander Dolbey, elder son of Mr and Mrs Robert Dolbey, of Snarehill Hall, Norfolk, to Miss Suzie Murray-Philipson, daughter of Mr and Mrs Robin Murray-Philipson, of Blaston, Leicestershire.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by Rose Chadwyck-Healey, Kitty Llewellyn, Laura Troughton, Lucinda Hedley, the Hon Oliver Lyttelton, Oliver Bridge, James Sutcliffe and Jack Warrender. Mr Oliver Gilmour was best man.

A reception was held at the home of the bride, and the honeymoon is being spent abroad.

Pollution warning for dairy farmers

By John Young
Agriculture Correspondent

Dairy farmers were taken to task yesterday for ignoring the advice of their own industry leaders on the urgent need to curb the rapid rise in water pollution.

Last year pollution incidents were 13 per cent up on 1986, most of them caused by leakages from silage stores, slurry tanks, lagoons and cattle yards.

On the opening day of the annual Dairy Farming Event at the National Agricultural Centre, Stoneleigh, Warwickshire, the Ministry of Agriculture, the National Farmers' Union, the Royal Association of British Dairy Farmers and the water authorities joined forces to emphasize their concern.

Dairy farmers must accept a heavy responsibility for the unwitting spoilage of waterways despite publicity and advice, it was said.

Silage liquor was the chief culprit and, being 200 times more potent than untreated sewage, demanded far more effective management from dairy farmers, Mr Peter Price, treasurer of the RABDF, said.

Mr David Naish, deputy president of the NFU, said: "It is a mistake to assume that modern farms can be serviced by old-fashioned facilities constructed to out-of-date standards. This is a problem that will not go away."

Some 80 per cent of the serious incidents reported last year involved cattle, mainly on dairy farms. There were 225 prosecutions of farmers for pollution, 76 per cent more than in 1986.

The Government had already announced, in response to the report of the Commons Environment Committee, that it would be introducing new regulations under the Control of Pollution Act to deal with silage clamps and slurry stores. There was bound to be pressure for tighter controls of farmers when the Bill to privatize the water industry was debated in the Commons this autumn.

The future of the five milk marketing boards in the United Kingdom became further clouded yesterday by a High Court judgment in Belfast.

The court found that the Northern Ireland board was not entitled to impose a levy on dairy farms which processed their own milk instead of selling it to the board.

Asked about the implications for the board in England and Wales, Mr Bob Steven, its chairman, said different countries applied different rules. He would be waiting for the outcome of an action brought by the board against two Somerset farmers for failing to pay the levy, which is due to be heard in November.

Cattle results

Dairy Shorthorn champion Mr & Mrs A Orster, Orchardhome Millicent; reserve Mr & Mrs Orster, Orchardhome Lady Walton 70th. Jersey champion Barnowl Jerseys, Freeland Dazzlers Bounteous; reserve D J Dawes (Farms Ltd) Peterden Banknote's June 2nd. Guernsey champion P L Down, Thicket Mead Mimosa 16th; reserve P L Down Thicket Mead Mimosa 15th. Ayrshire champion J N Gregson, Mawdesley Florrie 13th; reserve J N Gregson Mawdesley Donella 2nd. British Holstein champion J Hunter, Avondale Stylist Star; reserve Alex Hodge Ltd, Logie Brae Warden Joanne. Holstein Friesian champion Alex Hodge Ltd, Cavanaleck Jetstar Jane; reserve T R Harding Ltd, Future Quickstep 11th.

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University news

Oxford
Scholarships and prizes
Theodore Williams scholarship in pathology 1988: M P Colin, Exeter College; Theodore Williams scholarship in physiology 1988: A F Chi Kin Ho, St John's College; Dodley prize in anatomy: Mary S Briley, Magdalen College; Bristol-Myers prize for cardiology: R W Brown, New College (first prize), R J Pandit, Corpus Christi College (second prize).

Election
JESUS COLLEGE
Dr David F Cram to a senior research fellowship in linguistics from October 1.

Cambridge
Election
DARWIN COLLEGE
Professorial fellowship: Christopher Craig Wylie, BSc, PhD, Quick professor of biology.

Aberdeen
The new Health Services Research Unit and the university's department of obstetrics has been awarded a £70,000 grant by the Wellcome Foundation to study post-natal care.

Glasgow
Dr Neil William Isaacs, of the St Vincent's Institute of Medical Research, Melbourne, Australia, has been appointed to the Joseph Black chair of protein crystallography in the chemistry department from January 1989.

London
Professor Richard G. Feachem has been appointed dean of the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, in succession to Dr C. E. Gordon Smith, who will be retiring in September 1989.

Wales
A new department of agricultural sciences will be formed at the University College of Wales, Aberystwyth, from October 1 by the merger of the departments of agriculture and agricultural botany. It will be led by Professor D. Gareth Jones.

Brunel
Professor John Brown has been appointed dean of the faculty of technology from October 1.

Kent
The university has been awarded a grant of more than £270,000 for the establishment of an inter-university biotransformations centre to be funded by the Science and Engineering Research Council, the Department of Trade and Industry and 10 big companies, including Shell and ICI.

The centre, to be based at the universities of Kent, Exeter and Warwick, will be the main part of a £1million research programme in biotransformations, the use of biotechnology in the specialist chemical industry, especially the conversion of cheap materials into more valuable products.

The Kent team will be led by Professor Chris Knowles, professor of microbial biochemistry.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & PERSONAL

For the vision is yet for an appointed time, but at the end it shall speak, and not lie: though it tarry, wait for it; because it will surely come, it will not tarry.
Habakkuk 2:3

BIRTHS

ARTHUR - On September 20th to Michelle (née Lillis) and Hugh, a daughter, Catriona Mary, a sister for James and Isabel.

BRAY - On September 20th to Angela (née Heath) and Stephen, a daughter Helena Rose.

CONRATH - On September 19th at Queen Charlotte's Hospital to Corinne (née Jennings) and Philip, a daughter, Victoria Amanda, a sister for Camilla.

CROWE - On September 17th, to Sue (née Knott) and William, a daughter, Fiona Anne Johnston.

FENN - On September 19th, in Vancouver, to Vicki and Giles, a baby daughter. Elated grandparents Pat and Tony of Guelph. Phil and Betty Frewer of Vancouver.

HILDYARD - On September 16th, to Isabella and Robert, a daughter.

HOPE - On September 11th, to Melanie (née Howard) and Francis, a daughter Bryony Jane.

LEWIS - On September 14th to Melinda (née Hartopp) and Murray, a son, Jonathan.

NORMAN - On September 14th to Karen and Geoffrey, a son Christopher Philip.

QUARRY - On September 16th, 1988 to Judith (née Wilkinson) and Adam, a daughter Louisa Elizabeth Shandon, a sister for Piers.

SCARLETT - On September 21st, 1988 to Alison (née Drake-Brockman) and Michael a son Henry Charles, a brother for Emily and Camilla.

STARK - On September 14th, 1988, to Sara-Louise (née Isaac) and Jonathan, a daughter, Caroline Emma, first grandchild for Paddy, John, Maunsy and David.

VOWLES - On August 23rd, 1988, at St Thomas' Hospital, to Hilary (née Taylor) and John, a son, Nicholas John Foster, a brother for Natasha.

WALSH - On September 11th, to Lisa (née Ford) and Nick, a son, James John Abbott.

MARRIAGES

CUSSAGUET:BREMNER - On September 17th, in Paris, Bruno to Lucy.

DIAMOND ANNIVERSARIES

[illegible] - On September 22nd 1928, at the Parish Church, Barnes, Surrey, Leslie David to Dorothy Emily. Now living at Saffron Walden.

DEATHS

BALFOUR - On September 21st, 1988 the Rt. Hon. Harold Harington, Lord Balfour of Inchrye P.C., M.C. in his 91st year. Beloved husband of Maina. Devoted father of Ian and Mary Ann and much loved grandfather and great grandfather. Private family funeral. Service of thanksgiving to be announced later. No flowers by request, but donations to the RAF Benevolent Fund.

BOWRING - On Tuesday 20th September, peacefully and with quiet dignity, Dorothy Nora, dearest grandmother of Fiona, a proud great grandmother of Nicholas and Thomas, and now reunited with her beloved husband George and their darling daughter Joyce McKinnon. Many thanks to all at St. Jean Nursing Home for their kind and loving attention. Funeral service at Poole Crematorium on Friday September 23rd at 3.30 pm. Flowers if desired to Tapper Funeral Service, 39-34 Parkstone Road, Poole, Dorset.

BAXTER - On September 19th, peacefully, Edith Christina. Funeral private, no flowers. If desired, donations to the Malcolm Sargent Cancer Fund for Children.

CLARKE - On September 15th, peacefully in hospital, Molly Clarke widow of Dr. Lionel Clarke, much loved mother of Jane. Funeral at Holybourne Church, near Alton, Hants. on Thursday September 22nd at 3pm. Family flowers only, by her own request.

COONEY - On September 19th 1988, at his home in Maidstone, Kent, James C. Deeply regretted by his loving wife Anne, daughters, Sinéad, Niamh and Fiona, his mother, brothers, sisters and all the family and friends. Requiem Mass will be held at St Peters Church, Bearsted, Maidstone, Kent at 10 am on Saturday September 24th, followed by cremation at Charing at 11.30 am. A Requiem Mass and burial to be held in Ireland at a future date.

DILLAM - On September 19th 1988 Rev Canon Walter Dillam, a dearly beloved brother and uncle. Requiem at St Wilfrid's Church, Harrogate on Wednesday September 28th at 11am, followed by private cremation. No flowers by request.

GOODMAN - On September 17th 1988 in Edgware General Hospital after a long illness borne with fortitude. Louis of Stanmore, Middlesex, beloved husband of Edna and much loved father of David and Hannah Joan and respected father-in-law of Susan and Adrian. Donations to National Heart Hospital.

HARRISON - On September 16th suddenly, Madge widow of Edgar, and beloved mother of Mary. Funeral service at Southampton Crematorium (East Chapel) on Wednesday September 28th at 2pm. Flowers to John Steel & Son, Cheall House, Winchester.

HOTSON - Flt. Lieutenant, John Douglas, suddenly at Rothiemurcus, husband of Sally McCutcheon of Tigh'Na'Mara, Findhorn Road, Forres and father of Adam and loved son of Elizabeth and Jack and brother of Anne, Fiona and Shona. Funeral service in Kinloss Parish Church. Enquiries to J Smith & Son, Funeral Directors, Forres. Tel (0309) 72649.

KAUFMAN - On September 20th, at home, Morris, beloved husband of Rene, father of Dina and Chris, grandfather of Gabriella, Tami, Sophie and Kieron. Private funeral. Memorial to be announced.

MAY - On September 12th 1988, peacefully, aged 81, Kathleen Marie (née Terry) wife of Anthony. Funeral has taken place. No letters please.

McDOWELL - On September 21st at her home in Capetown, after much anguish borne with her courage and cheerfulness. Marjorie M.C.S.P., Very dearly loved sister of Kathleen Warner. Please no letters.

PULITZER - On September 19th 1988 at Farnham, Surrey, Ethel Marion, formerly of Sloane Court West, London, very dearly loved sister-in-law, aunt and great aunt. Cremation at Aldershot on Monday 26th September at 12.30pm. Family flowers only or donations if desired to The Cancer Research Campaign, 2 Carlton House Terrace, SW1Y 5AR.

RATCLIFFE - On September 18th 1988, after a long illness very bravely borne, Andrew John, aged 45, beloved husband of Rel, much loved father of Christopher, Sophie & Eleanor & brother of Frances. Donations if desired to The Marie Curie Memorial Foundation: Edenhall Hospice.

SHEAN - On September 20th, Brigadier Desmond Meyler Shean C.B.E of Salisbury. Private cremation. Donations if wished to the Army Benevolent Fund, 41 Queensgate, London SW7 5HR.

SIMPSON - On September 18th, peacefully in hospital, H.G. Simpson C.B.E. Cremation at 16.00hrs on Thursday September 22nd at Guildford Crematorium. Family flowers only. Donations if desired to the C.H.S.A.

USHER - On September 20th, Gertrude Lynette of Salisbury, very much loved sister of Eira, mother of Ann and William and grandmother of Catherine, Camilla, Mark and Harriet. Funeral at St Andrew's Church, Great Durnford at 2.30pm Tuesday September 27th. Flowers to G.W. Burden, Amesbury 23262 or donations to The British Deaf Association, 38 Victoria Place Carlisle CA1 1HU.

VICKERY - On Sunday September 18th, at Westminster Hospital, suddenly but peacefully, Kenneth H. Michael, dearly loved brother of Anthony, Jean and Ann. Requiem Mass at 10.30am on September 28th at Saint William of York R.C. Church, 4 Brockley Park, SE23, followed by burial at Streatham Park Cemetery. Flowers to Church. Any donations to British Heart Foundation or National Trust. Rest in Peace.

WALLIS - On September 18th, peacefully at home, Canon William Wallis, aged 77, Vicar of Pickering, 1947-1975, Canon of York Minster dearly loved husband of Doris, and of the late May father of William, Andrew and Eleanor, much loved grandfather of William, Rachel, Wacky, and Harriet, of Sophie, and Victoria, and of Lucy and Francis Pagel, brother of John. Funeral service at Pickering Parish Church at 1.00 pm on Friday September 23rd followed by private cremation. Family flowers only. Donations, if desired, to Pickering Parish Church Restoration Fund.

FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS

SEARS - Stanley Edward. The Funeral Service will be held at 2.30 pm on Thursday 29th September at St. Columba's Church, Collingtree, Northampton (close to Junction 15 M1). Family flowers only. donations to British Hospital, 49, Rua Saraiva de Carvalho, 1200 Lisbon, Portugal. (Sterling cheques accepted).

MEMORIAL SERVICES

BARBOUR - A Service of thanksgiving for the life of Brigadier David Barbour O.B.E., D.L. will take place at St Mary's Stratfield Mortimer, near Reading, on Saturday October 1st, 2.30 pm.

COLLENS - A memorial service for John Collens, formerly Assistant Auditor General in the N.A.O., will take place on Thursday 29th September at 1pm in St Michael's Church, Chester Square, SW1.

IN MEMORIAM - WAR

HAZELL - In memory of Major Peter Hazell M.C., R.A. attached HQ British Airbourne Troops. Killed in action near Uden, Holland, September 22nd 1944. Yda and Jonathan.

IN MEMORIAM - PRIVATE

PIMENTI - On September 22nd 1986. Ninette always now and forever more in my heart and in my thoughts, cherie. Treasured memories of your sweet love, your never ceasing care of everything and of us all, your constant devotion and your wonderful exhilarating presence, abide with me, but my sorrow is continually before me. The greater the love the greater the grief. You live in the heart of all the family here and in Italy who love and miss you always. A Rivederci cherie. ILYVVMMD.

WRIGHT - Dr R.B.D (Douglas). September 22nd 1977. My love for you and the memories never fade. Olivia.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ARMS (Action for Research into Multiple Sclerosis) National Lottery - due to postal delays, the Draw has been deferred to October 21st. No Draw tickets will be sold after September 23rd. Please return counterfoils & money to ARMS, 4A Chapel Hill, Stansted, Essex, CM24 8AG. David Hughes, Promoter.

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Dated this 30th day of August 1988
R HOCKING - LIQUIDATOR

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT OF LIQUIDATOR
The Insolvency Rules 1986
Rule 4.106 (1)
In the matter of CROMWELL MOTOR BODIES LIMITED
High Court No. 1392 of 1988
Notice is hereby given that I Melvyn Lawrence Rose, of Messrs Elliot, Woolfe & Rose, Chartered Accountants, Lidgra House, 250 Kingsbury Road, London NW9 0BS was appointed Liquidator of the above Company on 21st July 1988.
Melvyn L Rose FCA FCCA
Liquidator

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The Insolvency Rules 1986
Rule 4.106 (1)
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High Court No. 416 of 1988
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Melvyn L Rose FCA FCCA
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NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT OF LIQUIDATOR
The Insolvency Rules 1986
Rule 4.106 (1)
In the matter of PENFOLD TRADING LIMITED
High Court No. 2265 of 1988
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ATLANTIC INTERNATIONAL BANK LIMITED
(IN MEMBERS' LIQUIDATION)
COMPANY NUMBER : 941066
NOTICE TO THE CREDITORS OF ATLANTIC INTERNATIONAL BANK LIMITED
On 13 September 1988 the company was placed in members' voluntary liquidation and John Francis Soden and Colin Graham Bird of Price Waterhouse, No.1 London Bridge, London SE1 9QL were appointed joint liquidators by the shareholders.
The joint liquidators give notice pursuant to Rule 4.182A of the Insolvency Act 1986 that the creditors of the company must send details, in writing, of any claim against the company to them, at the above address by 14 October 1988 which is the last day for proving claims. The joint liquidators also give notice that they will then make a final distribution to creditors and that a creditor who does not make a claim by the date mentioned will not be included in the distribution.
The company expects to pay all its known creditors in full.
Dated, 14 September 1988
John Francis Soden
Joint Liquidator

Appointments

Latest appointments include:
Mr Justice Beldam, Chairman of the Law Commission, has had his appointment extended by 15 months, expiring on December 31, 1989.
Judge Bennett, QC, to be senior Circuit Judge at Leeds, in succession to Judge Dean, QC, who retires on October 31.

Judge retires

Mr Justice Pain has retired from the High Court bench. He was appointed a High Court judge (Queen's Bench Division) in 1975.

Anniversaries

BIRTHS: Anne of Cleves, fourth wife of Henry VIII, 1515; Philip Dormer Stanhope, 4th Earl of Chesterfield, statesman and writer, London 1694; Theodore Hook, novelist, London, 1788; Michael Faraday, chemist, London 1791; Sir George Stapledon, pioneer of grassland science, Northam, Devon, 1882; Paul Muni, actor, Lemberg, Austria, 1895.

DEATHS: Johann Agricola, Lutheran reformer, Berlin, 1566; Ivan Vazov, poet, Sofia, 1921; Sir Charles Santley, baritone, London, 1922; Frederick Soddy, chemist, Nobel laureate 1921, Brighton, 196; Oliver St John Gogarty, surgeon and writer, New York, 1957.

Dinners

HM Government
The Secretary of State for the Home Department was host yesterday at a dinner held at Lancaster House in honour of M Pierre Joxe, French Minister of the Interior.

Marketing Group of Great Britain
Mrs Jean Denton presided at a dinner given by the Marketing Group of Great Britain at the Dorchester Hotel last night. Mr Robert Malpas, a Managing Director of the British Petroleum Company plc and Chairman Designate of "Little G", was the guest of honour.

Reception

Feltmakers' Company
The Lord Mayor and the Sheriffs attended a reception given by the Feltmakers' Company at the Mansion House last night, to raise funds for the Lord Mayor's Charity Appeal. Mr Charles Simeons, Master, accompanied by the Wardens received the guests.

SCIENCE REPORT

Decoy molecules in Aids fight

Drugs for the treatment of Aids of startling novelty are likely to emerge from the way in which researchers in the United States are closing in on the structure of the virus responsible for Aids infection, called HIV-1, and the mechanism by which it infects cells.

Reports of two independent investigations with this objective appear in today's *Nature*.

One approach, followed by Ellis L. Reinherz and his colleagues at the Harvard Medical School, is to design molecules that will function as decoys for Aids virus particles, hindering them from binding to the surfaces of the white blood cells, called T-lymphocytes, the principal targets of HIV-1.

The prospect that molecular decoys might be effective against HIV-1 infection, first suggested at the end of last year, stems from what has been learned of how HIV-1 particles invade cells in the blood called T-lymphocytes. The crucial step has been identified as the binding of a protein molecule called gp120 produced and carried by all virus particles to another protein, called CD4, on the surface of T-lymphocytes.

Once stuck to the cell surface, the genetic material of the virus discards its protein coat and works its way into the cell. The process may be likened to piracy at sea: gp120 is the grappling hook, the genetic material of the virus the boarding party. The decoy strategy for the design of drugs rests on the idea that CD4 molecules circulating *in the* blood plasma, but not attached to T-lymphocytes, will trick virus particles *into fruitless* molecular unions (see Science Report, July 26).

Reinherz and his team are seeking to make even more efficient decoys by telling which parts of the CD4 molecule are crucial for the binding with gp120. This they have elegantly done by comparing the human CD4 molecule with the very similar molecule of the mouse. Because mice are not infected by HIV-1, they could confidently confine their search for the binding elements to those parts of human CD4 not found in the comparable mouse molecule.

The upshot of the research is that the binding elements of human CD4 are confined to one end of the long protein molecule comprising less than a third of its total length. The next step will be to use this part of the molecule as a decoy for HIV-1 particles. As well as being more efficient, weight for weight, than natural CD4, because the planned decoy does not occur naturally, the risk of unforeseen side-effects should be reduced.

Ira Pastan and his colleagues at the National Institutes of Health at Bethesda, Maryland, describe how they are seeking a way of killing T-lymphocytes already infected with HIV-1 by linking the binding part of CD4 with a toxin produced naturally by *Pseudomonas* bacteria. The guiding principle of this development is that the binding portion of human CD4 would home in on gp120 molecules *left on the surfaces of infected* T-lymphocytes and that the toxin would then destroy the cell and the viruses within it.

The authors of the research say that the expected killing of infected cells does take place in laboratory conditions. They say that their composite protein molecule "warrants further study" as a therapeutic agent for Aids infection.

The next step will involve testing the material in infected chimpanzees — so far, the only animals other than people known to be susceptible to HIV-1 infection. Also in this week's *Nature*, Oliviero Varnier, of the University of Genoa, with two colleagues from the University of Pavia, explain how they have been able to infect rabbits with HIV-1, which allows the virus to multiply without causing symptoms of disease.

This development is bound to raise hopes that rabbits rather than chimpanzees, which are an endangered species, may eventually be used in testing drugs and vaccines against Aids, but the authors of the research acknowledge that much remains to be done before rabbits will be reliable guides to the behaviour of the human disease.

Henry Gee

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THE ARTS

TELEVISION

Against the grain

Some "betray" their origins by revealing them, others by denying them. In *England's Henry Moore* (Channel 4) a Yorkshire woman, who had known the great sculptor since they were at Leeds Art School together, said how shocked she was when, just before he died, he called her "good *girl*" and not a "good lass".

This fascinating, critically affectionate, if peculiar, portrait, seemed to suggest that Moore betrayed his origins in both ways. His Yorkshire lower class background helped to turn him into a very hard-working down-to-earth man, who, despite his socialist sympathies, knew the value of brass, not to say bronze, which gave him a much quicker return on his labours than stone. Sir Stephen Spender revealed that he was not only happy to discuss Lenin, but was rather pleased to be Britain's highest salary-earner in the 1960s, and was "quite sympathetic" to the English Establishment. David Sylvester pointedly talked of those who successfully *do* things in England while "courting those that just *be*". As he was saying this, the programme-makers tested whether we and the complaints phone operators were awake, by showing pictures of the Royal Family.

The artists interviewed hinted at a diminishing, if not quite a betrayal, of his art when the former First World War bayonet instructor who had spoken of the need to "beat and fight the stone" foresook the intimate struggle of carving. The one artist we did not get a squeak out of, except a muffled word in a clip of him in Texas, was Moore himself, though we heard from all sorts: politicians — James Callaghan and Helmut Schmidt — a colliery worker, a British Council packer. Perhaps they feared that Moore's words would betray his image as they portrayed it.

Andrew Hislop

David Robinson applauds an independent Scandinavian first-time film-maker for his integrity and high technical skills

Saga hero's Lapp of honour

CINEMA

Pathfinder (15)
Cannon Shaftesbury Avenue

The Deceivers (15)
Odeon Haymarket

Stars and Bars (15)
Cannons Tottenham Court Road, Chelsea

Jimmy Reardon (15)
Cannons Haymarket, Oxford Street

The Running Man (18)
Odeons West End, Marble Arch

Poltergeist III (15)
Empire Leicester Square

Pathfinder is a stirring, if improbable, success story. Nils Gaup, the 31-year-old Lapp actor who conceived, wrote and directed it, had *never made a film before. He was* miraculously lucky to find a Norwegian producer, John M. Jacobsen, who was not only prepared to back a new director in an ambitious production, with 70mm and 6-track Dolby sound, but allowed him to film it (for the first *time in a feature) in the Lapp* language. To add to the linguistic complications, Gaup "re-invented" a dead language for the marauding Tchude tribes who are the villains of his Dark Age saga. The film was shot in the wastes of Northern Norway, in temperatures of *minus-40C, with a cast* largely drawn from amateur theatres in Lapland.

Out of all these hazards has emerged a singular, wonderfully integrated and highly seductive film, which has already demonstrated a powerful attraction for audiences world-wide. Hollywood pictures by the score fumble with stories about the past and future in *an effort to meet a contemporary* craving for myths of romance and escape. With peculiar accuracy Gaup has provided a piece of magic to satisfy that hunger.

Perhaps his secret is that in his case the myth is authentic. The simple heroic saga, of a brave and *wily orphan lad who outwits* marauders who have slaughtered his family and menace his tribe, is apparently taken from old Lappish oral lore.

Using minimal dialogue, Gaup demonstrates a rare gift of telling his story by visual and aural *means, The action is primitive* and ferocious and set against landcapes of vast spectacle. Sound — the swish of a ski or an arrow, the crack of ice — brings its own thrills. The personages — the black-clad evil men, the sturdy, whiskered heroes, the brave little *protagonist (Mikkel Gaup) —have* the elemental, larger-than-life quality of folk heroes.

The high technique of the camera, and the skills of the stunt people (supplied from Britain; the ferocious bear is Scottish) are never obtrusive. We are only aware of the myth and a remote world, a millennium away, brought magically to life.

The Deceivers, an Indian-shot production by Merchant-Ivory, goes back only a century and a half, with a John Masters story about an English officer who in 1825 infiltrates the secret society of the Thuggee, disguised as an Indian (a situation that somewhat strains belief). It looks very fine, full of violent and bloody action, shot on location, with elephants and period costumes and a troop of cavalry, to come bugling to the rescue in the nick of time.

Nevertheless the film proves the significant point that action by itself does not make for excitement and suspense. The script, by Michael Hirst, is loose and *directionless, and fails ever to* settle decisively on its theme: what seems to be the central notion, the metamorphosis of the mind of the decent English officer into that of a Thug, is never fully developed.

In part the fault lies with the two-dimensional performance of Pierce Brosnan. Generally the stiff colonialist actors (Helena Michell, David Robb, Keith Michell) are outshone by the ebullience of Saeed Jaffrey and a newly Falstaffian Shashi Kapoor. The workaday direction is by the American Nicholas Meyer (*Star Trek II: The Wrath of Khan*).

Stars and Bars would probably *have been funnier if it had been* made by a lot of other people. Adapting his own comic novel, William Boyd simplifies and coarsens it, without finding a visual equivalent to its essentially literary humour. The basic story remains: a naive Englishman, working for a New York art auctioneer and juggling two concurrent affairs, is despatched to Georgia to secure a Renoir from an eccentric collector. The script loses most of the point of the mutual impact of transatlantic cultures, and turns the Georgian *family into Cold Comfort Farm* caricatures.

Pat O'Connor's previous films were *Cal* and *A Month in the Country*, and as might be surmised from those, he shows no natural skill for comedy. Since the script tends to mislay the rest of the characters for long stretches, most of the burden rests on Daniel Day Lewis. An actor of talent in other fields, in comedy he only musters three expressions: wide-eyed schoolboy charm, wild-eyed panic and a curious tic of biting back the right corner of his mouth. He also has a couple of somewhat desperate slapstick nude scenes.

Polar bear? a Laplander fights a marauder (actually imported from Scotland) in Nils Gaup's *Pathfinder*

William Richart, as writer-director, adapted **Jimmy Reardon** from an autobiographical novel he *wrote at 19, describing the frustrations* of a youth between school and college: an economic inferior in the swanky Evanston district of Chicago, but an inveterate enthusiast for sexual experience. If the period (early Sixties) is blurred, the film still smacks of a 19-year-*old's self-indulgence. The youth is* played by River Phoenix, who at 17 retains the remarkable skills and intensity he revealed as a child actor.

An action vehicle for Arnold Schwarzenegger, with borrowings from *Blade Runner* and previous future-world combat fantasies, **The Running Man** is not quite as dumb as it looks. Based on a novella by "Richard Bachman" — a pseudonym of Stephen King — *it imagines America 30 years* hence, when economic disaster has brought about social collapse and subsequent totalitarianism. Television, having for 70 years told people what to eat and what to wear, now keeps the population in total subjection by means of cheery Government lies and propaganda.

The most popular television game show is *The Running Man*, where the contestants are political *subversives, hunted to their death* for the edification of a gullible and sadistic audience. There are moments of genuine satire in this combination of blood sports, Stalinist show trials, Japanese television endurance games and the bland, fake geniality of our *favourite television hosts.* The satire is short-lived: it ends as just another series of bouts between Arnold and all comers.

There is a feeling in **Poltergeist III** that no one is bothering any more. For the first 40 minutes there is nothing to watch and hear but dialogue and acting that would shame a 1940s B-picture horror. When we finally get to the special effects: apparitions, screaming, clutching hands, exploding or disintegrating cadavers, disappearances and transformations, there is not even a pretence of narrative logic to explain them.

DONALD COOPER

Age cannot wither: Ann Miller and Mickey Rooney shine undimmed in *Sugar Babies*

Blazing away

THEATRE

Sugar Babies
Savoy

Burlesque is America's only indigenous *stage form: a fact appreciated equally by its* homeland's theatrical scholars and by the Broadway audiences who flocked for eight years to Ralph Allen and Harry Rigby's compilation of ancient burlesque material. If you accept the equation that junk plus time equals a cultural tradition, then this long-delayed British version, still starring the *indestructible partnership of Mickey* Rooney and Ann Miller, qualifies for the living artistic treasure category.

To correct any idea that burlesque consists of no more than a string of filthy jokes, Allen last week delivered a learned lecture, relating it to the honky-tonk and minstrel show, tracing its ancestry to Italian *commedia*, analysing its division between flirtation scenes (performed before a front-cloth) and body scenes, and defending it as a comic expression of national resilience unrelated to the sentimentality of Chaplin.

All very true; but when you see Rooney wandering into the lobby of the Broken Arms Hotel to learn that they are holding a *Lions' Ball* upstairs, or witness a *blindfolded* knife-thrower (the statuesque Rhoda Burchmore) unerringly transforming her target into a soprano, original prejudice asserts itself with a vengeance. It is a strange experience to watch the deluge of locker-room one-liners landing like stink-bombs on the glittering stalls of the Savoy.

There is, happily, more to the show than that. Nominally set in the mid-1920s and built around the fiction of an American *company hitting the West End, Sugar Babies* is not an antiquarian show.

There is a calculated contrast between its merchandising interludes and front-curtain invitations to "Sample our Spuds; the jewel *of old Erin", and the lavishness of Chris* Stewart's recreation of the Rigby production. It evokes what burlesque was, so that simultaneously you can laugh with and at it.

When Burchmore ascends a plinth and beckons *a flight of doves to alight on her* perch-encrusted body stocking, the routine works perfectly, but also becomes hilarious when you realize that this was burlesque's idea of high art. The effect borders on *kitsch*, saved by the affection she brings to it.

As for the two principals, time yet again has left no mark on Rooney's fast footwork and aggressive timing, nor on Miller — first seen tearing into a tremendous railroad tap *routine, squired by four hoofing guards* — who remains as voluptuously undimmed as a canned peach. They come together in a knockabout school scene, a black widow trial scene with Judge Rooney clambering out of the dock in paroxysms of lust, and a show-stopping song-and-dance duet where, in "Sunny Side of the Street", the glorious, *hopeful spirit of American theatre came* blazing out of the burlesque shell.

It was some act to follow. It was followed, and topped, by a conjuring act from Michael Davies, who juggles with his mouth as well as his hands, *while keeping up a wearily* dispirited commentary on his performance. The sight of an ace specialist in the comedy of defeat, simultaneously achieving breath-taking physical triumphs, is new — and irresistible. It brought the house down.

Irving Wardle

Curtain call is not a high note

The Act
Offstage Downstairs

There is a strong and regrettable *chance that time may be running* out for this small basement theatre, tucked under one of the best theatrical bookshops in London, midway between Camden Town and Chalk Farm. I wish I could salute Buddy Dalton's hard work here, and earlier at the New End Theatre, with an enthusiastic review of what may prove to be the last production she mounts at this venue.

It is a first play, by Richard *Langridge, and one scene soars abruptly* into a moment of genuinely stirring theatre. But its poorly handled theme, of Nazi versus Jew, suffers from a lack of the contemporary detail that would give it conviction and the creative imagination needed to bring it life.

The set (designer: Jane Green) has a smouldering grandeur. Windowless, rectilinear and black; a few gleams of polished metal; black walls smudged with gold: elegant but sinister, even before we hear the distant steam trains that can only be carrying one cargo *in a play set in Eastern Europe in* 1943.

Two men burdened with luggage are shown into the room, the taller man soberly dressed and urbane, the scruffier one scared and endlessly asking where they are. The author spends too much time on this dramatically useless uncertainty, because nobody in the audience is in the slightest doubt that they are in the local Nazi HQ.

Snatches of Beckett-like cross talk and a frightened, crop-haired valet who says he knows nothing lend a metaphysical air to the proceedings, and sure enough, though the setting is prosaic, the subject is metaphysics.

A suave Nazi theorist wants to present an entertainment based on a small rabbinical trial in which God is found guilty of non-existence. Even if this subject was bang up to the minute in relevance, *it would be thwarted by the* simplistic argument the author gives to Captain Steiner (Robert French).

His two guests are cabaret artistes down on their luck and I think I need not name what race they turn out to belong to.

Damian Myerscough and Jem Wall acquit themselves worthily but it is only Paul Firth's quaking valet who opens the shutter on Nazi wickedness for us, in a short scene consisting solely of terrified replies to barked questions. Debbie Wolfe directs.

Jeremy Kingston

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RUDI DAVIES
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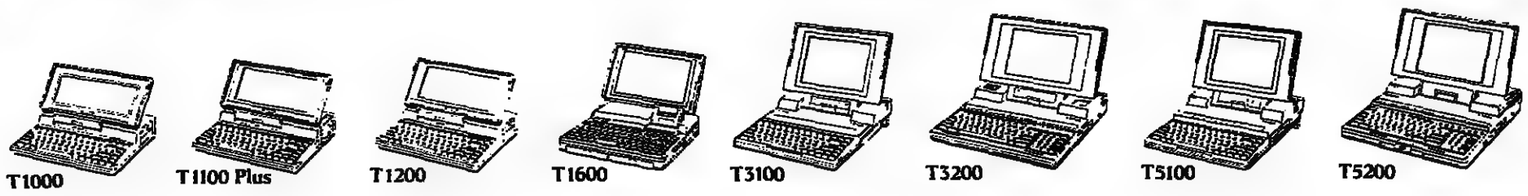

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BRUNEL SCIENCE PARK

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A SPECIAL REPORT
By Malcolm Brown

A flowering in the park

Brunel Science Park, which opened for business only two years ago, is already profitable. It will contribute £100,000 to the university next year. That is the sort of arithmetic that John Gardiner, the Laird Group chief executive and also chairman of the science park's management committee, likes.

That is not because he thinks universities are just another form of business and should be run as such. Quite the contrary. He believes that universities are about education, not business, and educationalists ought to get themselves involved in such things as science parks only if there are good educational reasons for doing so.

If there are reasons, says Mr Gardiner, who chaired Brunel University's council from 1981 to 1984, then the crucial question is whether the park can be run to produce a surplus. He takes a very simple approach to the science park's finances: A penny in the red is bad news, anything in the black is a bonus.

"Eighty per cent of the running costs of a university are 'people' costs, so if you have got a deficit in the science park it's insane – you undermine the people."

Until recently there was still quite a strong undercurrent of doubt among some academics about the park. That seems to have vanished as its strong finances have shown through. "They were never negative", says Mr Gardiner about the academics. "They were nervous."And that was understandable enough.

As chief executive of Laird, Mr Gardiner was used to launching big new projects and accepting that quite a lot of money had to be spent up front before the returns began to flow in. He was sure the project would work. The academics, perhaps over-conscious of his original warning that if it went wrong it would hit them directly, were not always so sanguine.

The nervousness seems to have passed. The bottom line now, says Mr Gardiner, is that the science park is a valuable capital asset which can be sold if the going gets tough. If the university ever got into financial difficulties it could simply let someone else take over the park and itself take the cash.

Mr Gardiner ought to know what he is talking about. When he became chairman of the Brunel council in 1981 the institution had a £500,000 overdraft. By the time his term of office was over, it had £5 million in the kitty.

Mr Gardiner does not always get his way. The university is seeking planning permission for a third phase of the science park and there is a good deal of pressure from academics for that third phase to include a number of "incubator" units – premises where tiny start-up companies, often spin-offs from university-based research, establish themselves. Mr Gardiner's business sense tells him this is a rather sentimental view, verging on the financially unsound.

The best place for a start-up, he suggests, is a barn or a garage, somewhere dirt cheap. His heart is with the academics on this one. His head is not. But, ultimately, he will probably concede. "I have to bend with the wind a little, but not much," he says.

One of the important things about Brunel Science Park is that it is 100 per cent a university venture. There are no other partners. Various schemes had been considered over the years – the Greater London Council was interested and so was the big insurance company, Commercial Union – but the partners always wanted control over the tenants.

The university turned them down, says Peter Russell, the park's director. However much goodwill there was with a commercial partner at the beginning, there was always the danger of a serious clash of interests.

The university wanted tenants who would collaborate scientifically with the university. If units became vacant and times were hard, a commercial partner would probably press to take the first company that approached it cash in hand, regardless of the company's specialization.

Eventually the university decided to go it alone with a loan from the Midland Bank. "Even though they were the university bankers," says Mr Russell, "they only got the right to lend to us by competition. Other banks were involved and gradually rates were trimmed until we got the best possible."

The science park has already filled phases one and two and is now seeking outline planning permission for a third phase. There are already more than 20 companies paying rent to the university and Mr Russell thinks the number could eventually rise to 40, though quite a few of the later ones (Mr Gardiner having bowed to his colleagues' wishes) would probably be small start-ups.

Some of the people who might move into start-up units are already on the campus. They are "camping out" in the university itself.

"Because we have a waiting list we have tenants around the campus who are ready to move in if we put up more buildings," says Mr Russell. The camping-out arrangement suits some of the smaller tenants because of the relatively low costs. The university buildings are older and the "campers" may be sharing facilities, so their rents will often work out cheaper than those for the buildings on the science park proper.

The phase three plan at present envisages three buildings. Two of them would be of 8,000 sq ft, the third 4,500 sq ft, and the intention is that one of the larger buildings will contain start-up units.

Mr Russell says that some sort of accommodation will be necessary to take the pressure off the university buildings.

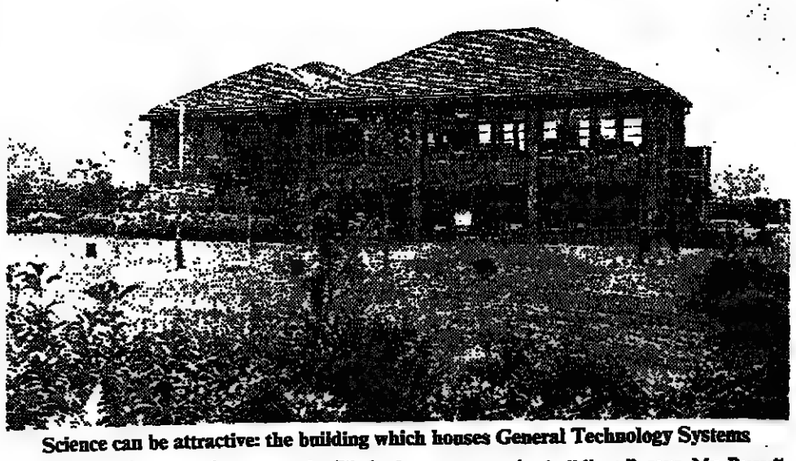
THE STORY OF BRUNEL

■ Brunel University was founded in 1966. It is named after Isambard Kingdom Brunel, the great British engineer. The university is based at Uxbridge, 15 miles west of central London. It is four miles north of Heathrow Airport, a mile from the M40, which links London to Oxford, and four miles from the M4, which runs westward through the high-technology towns between London and Bristol collectively known as "the M4 corridor".

■ The university has 4,000 students and specializes in four-year "thin sandwich" courses, which combine academic study with periods of practical experience in industry.

■ Brunel has always had strong links with industry and a key concern when the science park was in the planning stage was that there should be an interplay between tenants and the university academics.

■ The science park is on the university campus, on a small hill overlooking the main university buildings, and connected to them by a perimeter road. The first two phases of the science park are now complete and occupied. Outline planning permission is being sought for a third phase.



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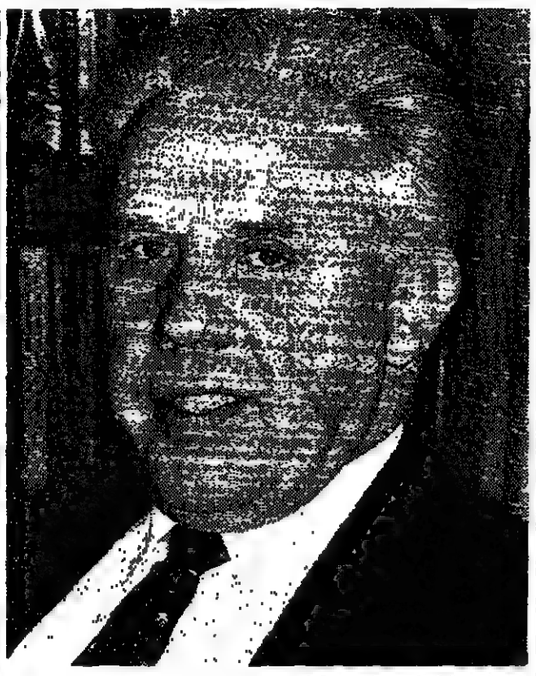

John Gardiner, left, management chairman: "Debts undermine people." Peter Russell, director of the park: "Waiting list."

One place for advice

One of the big problems with inventors and innovators is that they forget that having a great idea is only the first step. They think that the brilliance of their ideas will have enough momentum to carry their projects forward to a successful commercial conclusion and they are often angry and dreadfully frustrated when they get crushed.

Even the best idea will leave you penniless unless you get to grips with mundane things such as a business plan, marketing, even just protecting a product with patents.

Most banks and even special venture capital groups set up to back the riskier projects, have waste baskets full of bright ideas from men and women who simply did not know how to begin approaching the market-place.

One of the smallest organizations at Brunel Science Park is a multi-disciplinary partnership that draws together all the sorts of specialists that inventors and innovators, and even established companies, need these days.

Reg Hargrave came up with the idea of the One-Stop agency, which would provide advice on everything from patents and marketing to legal and accountancy matters when he became involved with the Hillingdon Enterprise Agency a few years ago.

"The sort of people who were coming to us were obviously after multiple advice. It seemed to me we needed to provide a multi-discipline consultancy so that people could come to one place and get all the expert advice they needed".

Every one of the partners runs another business of his own. Mr Hargrave has a trade mark and copyright consultancy; John Williams is senior partner of a patent agency practice; Ged Rumak runs his own advertising, marketing and design firm; and Tony Sansom is a chartered accountant. The group can also call on the services of legal experts.

One-Stop was set up in August 1986. Mr Hargrave says the growth of the business has perhaps been slower than he and his partners might have hoped.

It seems that the scepticism that so many people have today about professional people may sometimes be multiplied when the professionals get together under one roof.

Brunel itself has provided quite a lot of business in patents, says Mr Hargrave, and the partnership would like to become better known among other universities.

The choice of Brunel as a location seemed obvious enough when the partnership was being formed. Not only was it on the threshold of the Thames Valley, where many small high-technology and particularly computer-oriented companies were setting up business, but it had tremendous communications advantages – like being just off the M4.

"It was an idea which had been spinning round in my brain for quite some years," says Mr Hargrave. "Being in the intellectual property business I had seen people come along with good ideas of all kinds and they fell at the first hurdle.

"They had got the idea on paper but it seemed that they just did not seem to be able to get it any further because no one was available to provide them with the marketing and expertise. Nor was anyone available, perhaps, to provide them with the cash to get the thing off the ground."

Although the build-up has been slow, Mr Hargrave thinks it is probably only because the group is slightly ahead of its time. "I think in 10 or 15 years' time this will be the accepted thing," he said.

In his dealings with the heads of patent departments in major companies, Mr Hargrave says he has often been told that their daily post frequently contains applications from people who have got extremely good ideas but have sent them to the wrong place.

"What you really need is a sort of a clearing house for these," he adds.

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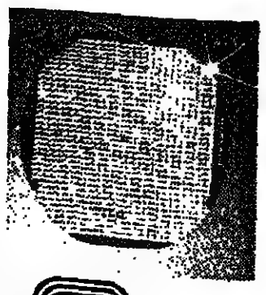

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The big effort for a small space shot in the 1990s

Geoffrey Pardoe, whose technology consultancy, General Technology Systems, has just taken over the lion's share of the second phase accommodation at Brunel Science Park, thinks small is beautiful.

Dr Pardoe, who in the mid-1950s was project manager for Britain's attempt at a nuclear ballistic missile, Blue Streak, and is now the country's top space technology expert, is designing a completely new, low-cost launch rocket due to fly for the first time in September 1991.

LittLEO is being put together by a team that includes British Aerospace, Royal Ordnance, Saab Space, from Sweden, and a large West German aerospace company. It is a small launch vehicle for low-earth orbit (LEO) operations.

"We initiated it after the Challenger disaster," says Stanley Armstrong, the project manager. "That had become the only way of launching small satellites." One of the keys to LittLEO is that it will use as much existing technology as possible. That should keep costs down and ensure reliability.

A market survey by the company suggests there should be demand for between 60 and 100 launches in the first decade.

GTS has also been involved in a space robotics feasibility study for the Department of Trade and Industry, has advised the European Space Agency on the long-term development of a European capability for manned operations in space, and has been continuously involved with the European Commission's information technology research and development programme (Esprit).

The company is typical of the kind of organization the university has attracted to the science park. Brunel wants high-technology or science-based companies to cross-fertilize with the university.

Other tenants include:

● **Air Products**, which was the first major company to sign a lease for science park premises. AP is a $2 billion US-based multinational. The company has a growing commitment to research and development in Europe and the Brunel unit is its European technology centre.

The scientists are looking for new uses for gases. Current work includes new applications of the liquid nitrogen technique for freezing and chilling food.

"The concept is old", says Ian Brass, one of AP's chief scientists at Brunel. "You spray liquid nitrogen at minus 200 degrees on to a beefburger and it freezes. That is the traditional way of doing things, but there are a lot of foodstuffs which are not suitable for that sort of treatment. We are developing the technology, the equipment and the process in order to apply cryogenic liquid nitrogen cooling to other foodstuffs.

"Fresh fruits and seafood, both of which cause problems at the moment, are likely to be among the first beneficiaries."

The company makes heavy use of the university's library and its computer search facility, says Mr Brass. It also maintains close links with Brunel's materials department and uses the surface analysis facilities in the Experimental Techniques Centre, which makes expensive analytical and experimental equipment available to university and, for a fee, science park scientists.

● **Machine Intelligence Technologies**, which was set up in January to develop high-level expert systems of computer software for ordinary users. Expert systems draw on the knowledge of experts in a given field and then organize it in such a way that the non-expert can be led through difficult subjects.

PharmAdvisor, one of the sustems, has a data base that contains all the available data — on territories, sales targets, achievements etc — and an expert system that helps the manager to see the real importance of so much raw data. It will help the doctor to diagnose and then prescribe a course of treatment. The MIT software does exactly the same for the drugs industry manager. He gets a number of recommendations on how low performance can be improved or good performance further improved. "It doesn't give definitive answers," says Stephen Mott, MIT's managing director.

● **Biocompatibles**, a biotechnology company that is exploiting the work done on biomembranes by researchers at the Royal Free Hospital Medical School.

One area of expertise is artificial implants. Blood tends to clot on the surface of artificial materials and devices because the structure and surface of the materials used are foreign to the normal red blood and platelet cells in the circulation. The company's researchers are developing ways of modifying these surfaces to mimic natural surfaces.

The scientists at Biocompatibles are also doing pioneering work on the development of "artificial blood". Success could play an important role in the fight against Aids, where there are always fears about the inadvertent transmission of the virus when natural blood is transfused.

Geoffrey Pardoe: A small launch orbit vehicle was initiated after the Challenger disaster

A test for tenants

Collaboration with the private companies on the science park is essential, says the council of Brunel University. Many science parks, it believes, are little more than property operations, and the companies which move in often have little or no interplay with their university landlords.

Because the council is determined that this should not happen, it has set up a vetting committee to interview prospective tenants to see if they are likely to collaborate.

This is not just a formality, says Professor Gerald Musgrave, a committee member and head of the electrical engineering and electronics department. Organizations wanting to move on to the park must put up a case to the committee, and there have been a number of rejections. It does not want sales companies or firms which have no real commitment to collaboration.

The nature of the relationship with the university will vary considerably, he says. "At the very mundane level they may be providing sandwich placements for our students or calling on academic staff to act as consultants; or they may be placing research contracts with the university. We are not looking for them to be acting on every level."

One area in which the vetting committee has been less successful than hoped is in getting a balance of sizes among companies. It wants to give more opportunity to start-up companies, and is discussing offering smaller, "incubator" units at a cheaper rent to encourage them.

Though there is no priority for university-associated companies, such as Professor Musgrave's own company, Frontend, they will obviously satisfy the criteria of having strong links with the university. Three of Frontend's 10 staff are Brunel graduates.

Putting theory into practice

Scientists now have to spend almost as much time chasing research funds as they do working in the laboratory. This is one of the reasons why Dr Arthur Brandwood, a zoologist turned biomaterials specialist, decided to leave Brunel's academic staff and move on to the science park.

He is now a development scientist with Biocompatibles, a biotechnology company formed in 1984 to develop and commercialize inventions pioneered by researchers at the Royal Free Hospital Medical School. The company is working on ways to modify the surfaces of existing artificial biomedical materials so that they are more compatible with the body's tissues, as, for example, making artificial arteries more compatible with blood or contact lenses more compatible with the surface of the eye.

Dr Brandwood, aged 29, had been appointed a lecturer in materials technology at the end of 1986. When Biocompatibles moved on to the science park, the Brunel academics and the company's scientists started talking about collaborative research and soon Biocompatibles asked Dr Brandwood to join them.

He says: "Here was a young company that had a lot of potential. At the time it was difficult to obtain funding for a young university researcher such as myself and there was an opportunity to move to an industrial environment where funding was not as important as getting something done."

The research is rather different — development research rather than basic work — and there is undoubtedly more pressure to produce results than there was when he was a university scientist. "That is inevitable," he says. "You are in an industrial environment where it is important to produce results to time and to budget."

He thinks the constant interplay with the university is crucial to the company. For example, the company has just completed a cell biology research project in collaboration with the biology department.

"The help of the staff there was very important. I was able to say we had this particular problem to solve, discuss the problem with them and design the experiment which they were able to carry out in their cell biology suite. They had the facilities and we were able to make use of their expertise."

Apart from the intellectual cross-fertilization and the use of departmental expertise, the company's scientists have access — for a fee, of course — to the kind of expensive research equipment, such as electron microscopes, which the university can afford to support but a company with only intermittent needs, could not.

Like other tenants on the science park, Biocompatibles uses Brunel's Experimental Techniques Centre, a service laboratory which was set up to serve the whole university.

How does the quality of research at Biocompatibles compare with that in the university? "I don't know if it's easy to compare," says Dr Brandwood. "The objectives are quite different. What goes on here is development. The basic research has been done. What we are now doing is developing products based on those ideas. Here we are out to produce products which we can sell; over there you may be trying to find out fundamental, basic things about science."

Heinz Wolff: funding institute

Plan of the lone Wolff

Professor Heinz Wolff, the great popularizer of science, has a curious, semi-detached relationship with the science park, which flows directly from his rather curious semi-detached relationship with the university.

Professor Wolff, best known for his zany television appearances, runs the Institute of Bioengineering, a research organization specializing in space biology and devices for the elderly and disabled.

When he proposed the institute in 1983, the university was short of cash and laying off staff, so he said he would fund the whole institute himself, or rather the institute would pay for itself out of its earnings from research. It would make no call on university funds.

Professor Wolff set up his institute in a small group of Portakabins in one of the less attractive corners of the campus, and as the institute is still self-financing he felt that if he stayed in them he could neither expand nor attract the quality of staff he wanted.

So he has built a new building, again paying for it himself.

He said: "We took out a loan from the university on, roughly speaking, building society terms, committed a fair proportion of the reserves which we had accumulated and built this 11,000 sq ft building."

Which is where the science park comes in. To enable Professor Wolff to service the university's £225,000 loan he decided to make the new building about 30 per cent larger than he would actually require and to let the rest to science park companies "so that the rentals would help to pay the mortgage". He said: "We now have five such companies on the premises. We're fully let."

Most of the tenant companies, says Professor Wolff, were found for him by Peter Russell, director of the science park. "They helped us with the leasing agreements."

The companies had to pass through the same sort of vetting procedure as companies on the main science park. The committee interviews potential tenants to ensure that they will have some sort of productive, two-way relationship with the university.

The big difference, of course, is that the rent is part of the income of the institute while the rent on the science park proper goes directly into the university coffers.

Professor Wolff's tenants range from Unicom, which organizes seminars on information technology, to a computer software company, Avco Systems, set up by two Brunel graduates. "This is something which I have always been very keen on, but has not been followed — that a science park should have some facilities for tiny start-ups, rather than expecting large companies which know exactly what they are doing to move in," he said.

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Theatre Royal, Haymarket, SW1 (01-930 9832). Tube Piccadilly Circus. Mon-Sat 7.30-10pm, mats Wed, Sat 3-5.50pm. £4-£15

☆ **BLOOD BROTHERS:** Willy Russell's sentimental musical: separated twins destroyed by the English class system, Kiki Dee as their mother.
Albery Theatre, St Martin's Lane, WC2 (01-867 1115). Tube: Leicester Square. Mon-Sat 7.45-10.45pm, mats Thurs 3-6pm, and Sat 4-7pm, £6.90-£16.50.

☆ **EASY VIRTUE:** Attractive revival of *Noël Coward 1926 with Jane How* scandalizing her teenage husband's frightful county folks.
Garrick Theatre, Charing Cross Rd WC2 (01-379 6107). Tube: Leicester Square. Mon-Fri 8-10.15pm, Sat 8.15-10.30pm, mats Tues 3-5.15pm and Sat 5-7.15pm, £7.50-£12.50.

☆ **LETTICE AND LOVAGE:** Maggie Smith and Margaret Tyzack waging eccentric war against the modern world in Peter Shaffer's new comedy.
Globe Theatre, Shaftesbury Avenue, W1 (01-437 3667). Tube Piccadilly Circus. Mon-Sat, 7.45-10.15pm, mat Sat 3-5.30pm, £7.50-£15. **(D)**

☆ **THE SECRET OF SHERLOCK HOLMES:** Jeremy Brett and Edward Hardwicke in a new adventure by Jeremy Paul, directed by Patrick Garland.
Wyndham's, Charing Cross Rd, WC2 (01-867 1116). Tube Leicester Square. Opens tonight 7pm. Then: Mon-Fri 8pm, Sat 5.30pm and 8.30pm, mat Wed, 3pm. £5.50-£13.90.

☆ **THE SNEEZE:** Michael Frayn has collected together and adapted four short stories and four one-act plays by Chekhov to make an entertainment starring Rowan Atkinson, Timothy West and Cheryl Campbell, directed by Ronald Eyre.
Aldwych, Aldwych, WC2 (01-836 6404/0641). Tube: Holborn/Temple/Charing Cross/Covent Garden. Previews Mon-Fri 7.30pm, Sat 5pm and 8.30pm; mat Wed (from Oct 5), 3pm. £5-£15. Opens Sep 27, 7pm.

☆ **STOP IN THE NAME OF LOVE:** Nostalgia musical, back to the Sixties with the Fabulous Singlettes sporting beehive hair-dos, who sing it like it was.
Piccadilly Theatre, Denman St, W1 (01-867 1118). Tube: Piccadilly Circus. Mon-Thur 8-10pm, Fri and Sat 6.30-8.30pm and 9-11pm, £5-£8.50.

☆ **SUGAR BABIES:** Mickey Rooney and Ann Miller star in nostalgia show vastly popular on Broadway.
Savoy Theatre, Strand, WC2 (01-836 8888) Tube: Charing Cross. Mon-Sat 8-10.30pm and mats Thurs and Sat 2.30-5pm, £8.50-£22.

☆ **A TOUCH OF DANGER:** New Francis Durbridge thriller puts William Franklyn in danger of his life from international espionage.
Whitehall Theatre, Whitehall, SW1 (01-867 1119). Tube. Charing Cross. Mon-Sat 8-10pm. Mats Thurs 3-5pm, Sat 5-7pm, £7.50-£12.

LONG RUNNERS: ☆ **And Then There Were None:** Strand Theatre (01-836 2660). ☆ **Beyond Reasonable Doubt:** Queen's Theatre (01-734 1166).. ☆ **Cats:** New London Theatre (01-405 0072, cc 01-404 4079)... ☆ **Follies:** Shaftesbury Theatre (01-379 5399).. ☆ **42nd Street:** Drury Lane Theatre (01-836 8108/9)... ☆ **Les Liaisons Dangereuses:** Ambassadors Theatre (01-836 6111)... ☆ **Me and My Girl:** Adelphi Theatre (01-240 7913/4)... ☆ **Les Misérables:** Palace Theatre (01-434 0909)... ☆ **The Mousetrap:** St Martin's Theatre (01-836 1443).. ★ **The Phantom of The Opera:** Her Majesty's Theatre (01-839 2244)... ☆ **Run For Your Wife:** Criterion Theatre (01-930 3216)... ☆ **Starlight Express:** Apollo Victoria (01-828 8665).

OUT OF TOWN

BROMLEY: ☆ **Blithe Spirit:** Rula Lenska, Deborah Grant, Guy Siner, Anna Wing, Jenny Tomasin, Gerald Flood and Janet Allen, directed by John David in the Noël Coward comedy about a revenant wife.
Churchill, High Street (01-460 6677). Mon-Sat, 7.45pm, *mats Sep 29, Oct 1, 8*, 8, 2.30pm. £5-£8.

SHEFFIELD: ☆ **Bedlands:** A double bill by Dave Draper.
Crucible, Norfolk St, Sheffield (0742 769922), Tues-Sat 7.45pm, £3.50.

WINDSOR: ☆ **The Winslow Boy:** Lee Montague, *Hugh Manning, Helen Ryan* and Prunella Gee in the ever-popular *Terence Rattigan drama*, directed by Joan Riley.
Theatre Royal, Thames Street (0753 853888) Mon-Sat, 8pm, mats Sept 29, *Oct 6, 2.30pm, £2.50-£14. Until Oct 8.*

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BIG BUSINESS (PG): Farcical comedy re-working the *Comedy of Errors* plot, with Bette Midler and Lily Tomlin as two mismatched sets of identical twins who find themselves on opposite sides in a business venture. Directed by Jim Abrahams (98 min).
Cannon Chelsea (01-352 5096). Progs 1.35, 4.00, 6.30, 9.35.
Notting Hill Coronet (01-727 7697). Progs 1.50, 3.40, 6.40, 8.50.
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BUSTER (15): Singer Phil Collins makes his cinema début in a film surveying the life and loves of Buster Edwards of Great Train Robbery fame (102 min).
Odeon Leicester Square (01-930 6111). Progs 12.40, 3.15, 6.00, 8.40.

■ **COMING TO AMERICA (15):** Eddie Murphy as a pampered foreign prince who comes to America to select his own bride. A botched comic vehicle with a touch of sweetness; directed by John Landis. (116 min).
≋ **Cannon Fulham Road** (01-370 2636). Progs 2.15, 6.20, 9.15.
Cannon Oxford Street (01-636 0310). Progs 2.10, 5.15, 8.20.
Plaza 2 (01-200 0200). Progs 2.00, 4.30, 7.00, 9.30.

■ **CROCODILE DUNDEE II (PG):** Disappointingly flat sequel to the runaway Aussie hit, with Paul Hogan repeating his role as the king of the Outback (112 min).
≋ **Empire Leicester Square** (01-200 0200). *Progs 12.15, 2.30, 4.45, 7.15, 9.30, 11.55.*

DROWNING BY NUMBERS (18): Three generations of women, all called Cissie Colpitts, become involved with a coroner, who knows about the deaths of their husbands in deep water (118 min).
Gate (01-727 4043). Progs 1.30, 3.45, 6.20, 8.45.
≋ **Lumiere** (01-836 0691). Progs 1.15, 3.40, 6.10, 8.40.

WORD-WATCHING

Answers from page 24

LEERIE
(a) A lamplighter; leeries were the men who went around with a short ladder and a brass torch lighting the gas lamps in the streets and the closes; all the men were small, because tall men would have made the ladders redundant; N.B. the children's rhyme: "Leerie, leerie, light the lamps."

TUMPSHIE
Always with a "p" in Glesga, though not in other parts of Scotland: jocularly or colloquially a *turnip*, apparently from the dialect *turmit, turneep* a *turnip*: a *tumpshie-heid* is the opposite to *Isaiah Berlin*.

DUNNY
(a) A back passage or cellar, especially at the bottom of the stairs in a Glasgow tenement, reduced from *dungeon*: it was here that the outside lavatory, known as the *cludgie* was situated: "Ma daddy says there's a big bogeyman doon the dunny."

JEELY PIECE
(c) A jelly or jam sandwich: if you have jam, you don't have butter or marge as well; children used to stand in the back court and shout: "Mammy, throw us doon a piece"; the piece is immortalized in Matt McGinn's lament: "Ye Cannae Thraw Pieces Oot a Twenty Storey Flat."

Kicking up their heels

Broadway musical star *Donna McKechnie* (left), who won a Tony award for her role as Carrie in *A Chorus Line*, is joined by the Irish actor Milo O'Shea and Frenchman Bernard Alane in a new production of Cole Porter's *Can Can*, opening in Bradford tonight, before moving to London's Strand Theatre in October. With a new book, by Julian More (responsible for *Expresso Bongo, Irma La Douce, Songbook* and *Roza*), and directed by David Taylor, it is billed as the world premiere for a show which, in its original form with a book by Abe Burrows, played in London in 1954. The setting is Montmartre in the 1890s, and the hit songs include "I Love Paris", "C'est Magnifique", "It's All Right with Me" and "Live and Let Live". Donna McKechnie, who was married to the late Michael Bennett, creator of *A Chorus Line*, was unable to perform in that show in London, although she has been here in two musicals: *Promises Promises* and *Company*. For Milo O'Shea it means a return to the West End after an absence of several years, principally spent in films (most notably *The Verdict*). Bernard Alane made a great personal success with his first London appearances as the romantic lead in the recent Sadler's Wells revival of *Bless the Bride*. Alhambra, Morley Street, Bradford (0274 752000). Tonight at 7.30pm. Tickets are priced £4-£10. From tomorrow until October 8, Monday to Saturday at 7.30pm, matinées on Wednesday and Saturday at 2.30pm, with tickets priced at £4.50-£13.50. *Tony Patrick*

CONCERTS

LUNCHTIME

☆ **DEATH PLUS MAIDEN:** As part of the Piccadilly Schubert series the Duke Quartet play his Quartet D 810 "Death and the Maiden".
St James's, 197 Piccadilly, London W1 (01-734 4511) 1.10pm, free.

EVENING

☆ **ROMANTIC BLACKHEATH:** Continuing the "Three Romantics at Blackheath" series, Brahms's Cello Sonata Op 38 and Clarinet Trio Op 114, *Schumann's Phantasiestücke* Op 73 and Mendelssohn's Songs without Words Op 109 are *variously heard from* Janet Hilton, clarinet, Yolande Wrigley, piano, and *Bernard Gregor-Smith*, cello.
Blackheath Concert Hall, 23 Lee Rd, London SE3 (01-463 0100) 7.30pm, £5.50, £7.50.

☆ **FROM LATIN AMERICA:** Odaline de la Martinez conducts the London Chamber Orchestra in Chavez's Toccata, Revueltas's *Colores* and Ponce's *Concierto del Sur*, in which the soloist is Patricia Romero (piano).
St John's, Smith Sq, London SW1 (01-222 1061) 7.30pm, £3-£8.

☆ **GRIEG WINNER:** Marianne Hirsti, *winner of the 1987 Grieg Award, sings* Grieg's Songs Op 48, Szymanowski's *James Joyce settings Op 54, Mozart,* Schubert, and Mahler. Rudolf Jansen accompanies.
Wigmore Hall, 36 Wigmore St, London W1 (01-935 2141) 7.30pm, £3-£6.

☆ **THOMPSON'S EMOTIONS:** The Gallery ensemble plays Thompson's *Mixed Emotions* and *Song of Dawn*, Wallen's String Quartet and gives the world premiere of Alberga's Mobile 2.
Purcell Room, South Bank, London SE1 (01-928 3191, cc 01-928 8800) 8pm, £4-£6.

☆ **FRITH FINALE:** More in the "Three Romantics at Blackheath" series, with Benjamin Frith performing Schumann's *Carnival* Op 9, Brahms's Intermezzo Op 117 No 1 and Mendelssohn's Songs Without Words Op 62 on the piano.
Blackheath Concert Hall, 10pm, £2.

OPERA

☆ **TOSCA:** Revival of Jonathan Miller's sombre, grey, 1940s-style Puccini production with Janice Cairns in the title role and Paul Daniel conducting.
English National Opera, Coliseum, St Martin's Lane, London WC2 (01-836 3161), 8-10.35pm, £2.50-£26.

★ **FALSTAFF:** Peter Stein's powerful and acerbic new production for Welsh National Opera, with Donald Maxwell in the title role and Richard Armstrong conducting.
New Theatre, *Cardiff* (0222 394844), 7.15-10pm, £8-£21.

☆ **LA BOHEME:** New production for Opera Northern Ireland's short new season in Frank Matcham's exquisite opera house.
Grand Opera House, Belfast (0232 241919), 7.30-10.30pm, £11-£18.

DANCE

★ **CARMEN:** *Peter Darrell's production* for Scottish Ballet with other works by Jack Carter and Michael Corder.
Adam Smith Theatre, Bennochy Rd, Kircaldy (0592 260498) 7.30-10pm.

☆ **KATHAK-FLAMENCO:** *Indian* and Spanish styles combined by Pratap and Priya Pawar.
The Place, Dukes Rd, London WC1 (01-387 0031) 8-10pm, £5.

ROCK

★ **MICHELLE SHOCKED:** Start of a short sharp tour by the protesting *beatnik buskeuse*.
Bierkeller, All Saints St, Bristol (0272 268514) *8pm*, £4.50.

★ **THE PROCLAIMERS:** The Scottish Spreckly twins, now with an electric band in tow playing on home territory.
Seaforth Hotel, James St, Stornoway, Isle of Lewis (0851 2740) 10pm, £5.

★ **BELINDA CARLISLE:** More *featherweight rock from the* "Heaven Is A Place On Earth" star.
Hammersmith Odeon, Queen Caroline St, London W6 (01-748 4081) 7.30pm, £7-£8.

JAZZ

☆ **DARLINGTON JAZZ & BLUES FESTIVAL:** The month-long season of concerts opens with the Norma Winstone Quartet.
Darlington Arts Centre, Vane Terrace (0325 483168) 8pm, £3.50.

☆ **HUMAN CHAIN:** Django Bates's *occasionally irksome trio of multi-instrumentalists appears on the same bill as the austere pianist Akemi* Kuniyoshi-Kuhn.
Band On The Wall, 25 Swan St, Manchester (061 832 6625) doors open 8.30pm, £3.50.

☆ **SHEILA JORDAN:** Final night from the American singer, one of the most idiosyncratic contemporaries.
Bass Clef, 35 Coronet St, London N1 (01-729 2476) 8.45pm, £5.

GALLERIES

GUNTHER FORG: New photographs and paintings of architecture by a young German artist.
Karsten Schubert Gallery, 85 Charlotte St, London W1 (01-631-0031), Tues-Sat 10am-6pm, free, until Oct 15.

JANE ACKROYD: Animal sculptures *ingeniously contrived from metal offcuts and scrap*.
Anderson O'Day Fine Art, 255 Portobello Rd, London W11 (01-221 7592), *Tues-Sat 10am-5.30pm, free,* until Oct 23.

TEN YOUNG ARTISTS FROM THE ROYAL ACADEMY: Selected by painter Norman Adams.
Mall Galleries, 17 Carlton House Terrace, London SW1 (01-930 6844), daily 10am-5pm, free, until Oct 2.

FLOWERS FROM THE GARDEN: *Paintings by Gillian Whaite.*
Museum of Garden History, St Mary-at-Lambeth, Lambeth Palace Rd, *London* SE1 (01-261 1891), Mon-Fri 11am-3pm, *Sun 10.30am-5pm, free, until Oct 2.*

The fine mahogany Regency wine cellaret (above) is one of the many collectable pieces of furniture in today's auction at Crewkerne (see listing). Particularly unusual is an *inscribed glass window panel* with a hole in it made by a Roman Candle — the firework was among those thrown by protesters in 1790 at the window of Doctor Toulmin of Taunton who, because of his sympathies with the French Revolution, was "obnoxious to the High Tory Party then in the Town".

LEON KOSSOFF: An important show of new works by a major British figurative painter.
Anthony d'Offay, 9 Dering St, London W1 (01-499 4100), *Mon-Fri 10am-5.30pm*, Sat 10am-1pm, free, until Oct 8.

CAREL WEIGHT RA: An 80th birthday exhibition of paintings.
Bernard Jacobson Gallery, 2a Cork St, London W1 (01-439 8355), Mon-Fri 10am-6pm, Sat 10am-1pm, free, until Oct 8.

WHISTLER PRINTS: A collection of *atmospheric* portrait and landscape etchings by the American artist and *dandy*.
Walker Art Gallery, William Brown St, *Liverpool (051-207 0001), Mon-Sat* 10am-5pm, Sun 2-5pm, free, until Oct 1.

WILLIAM SCOTT: Old and new works on paper.
Curwen Gallery, 4 Windmill St, London W1 (01-636 1459), *Mon-Fri 10am-*5.30pm, Sat 10.30am-1pm, free, until Oct 1.

WALKS

ELEGANT MAYFAIR: meet Green Park tube, 11am, £2.50.

GUIDED TOUR OF GREENWICH: meet Information Centre, Greenwich, noon, £2.50.

HIDDEN INTERIORS OF OLD LONDON: meet Temple tube, 11am, £3 (also next Thurs).

JACK THE RIPPER — A PUB WALK: meet Whitechapel tube, 7.30pm, £3 (*also next Thurs*).

OTHER EVENTS

AUTUMN WORK IN THE GARDEN: On the first official day of autumn, an expert demonstration for all gardeners, who wish to recap on work to be carried out from now on.
Study Centre, Northern Horticultural Society, Harlow Car Gardens, Crag Lane, Harrogate, North Yorkshire (0423 65418), 2pm. Demonstration free, admission to garden: adult £2, senior citizen £1.50, accompanied child free.

SALE OF ENGLISH AND CONTINENTAL FURNITURE: *See caption.* **Lawrence of Crewkerne**, South Street, Crewkerne, *Somerset* (0460 73041). Sale starts 11am.

BRITISH MUSEUM FILM: This week's film, *Orkney Underground*, looks at prehistoric sites including Skara Brae. **Lecture Theatre**, British Museum, Great Russell Street, London WC1 (01-636 1555). Today, tomorrow 3.30pm. Free.

BOOKINGS

FIRST CHANCE

SADLER'S WELLS ROYAL BALLET AT OXFORD: Autumn tour includes *Les Sylphides, Petrushka, Theme and Variations, Concerto Barocco, The Edge of Silence, Pineapple Poll, Giselle* and *Bastet*. Oct 24-29.
Apollo Theatre, Oxford (0865 244544/5)

NANA MOUSKOURI: Booking for concerts in Warwick (0203 417417), Portsmouth (0705 824355), Brighton (0273 674357) and London (Royal Albert Hall (01-589 8212). Oct.

LAST CHANCE

POLAND: A NATION OF PARADOX: Work by Polish photographer Janusz Rosikon, showing country of large industrial centres, peasant farming, communism, and Roman Catholicism.
Barbican, Silk St, London EC2. (01-638 4141). Ends Sun.

THE ART OF ILLUSTRATION: Work by Britain's foremost commercial illustrators, including Bill Butcher, Paul Slater and Tony McSweeney.
Artspace, Parkshot Centre, Richmond. (01-940 6751). Ends Sat.

IMAGINE: Exhibition of the life and works of John Lennon, including his newly re-appraised drawings.
Business Design Centre, 52 Upper St, *Islington*, London N1 (01-359 3535). Admission £4, concessions £2.50. Daily 10am-6pm, until Sat.

Theatre: Jeremy Kingston; Films: Geoff Brown; *Concerts:* Max Harrison; Opera: Hilary Finch; Rock: David Sinclair; *Jazz:* Clive Davis; Dance: John Percival; Galleries: David Lee; Walks and Talks: Greta Carslaw; Other Events: Judy Froshaug; Bookings: Anne Whitehouse.

BEST SELLING BOOKS

For the week ending September 17

FICTION

1	**The Captain and the Enemy**, Graham Greene	*Reinhardt*	£10.95
2	**A Twist in the Tale**, Jeffrey Archer	*Hodder*	£ 9.95
3	**Latecomers**, Anita Brookner	*Cape*	£10.95
4	**Love in the Time of Cholera**, G Garcia Marquez	*Cape*	£11.95
5	**Incline Our Hearts**, A N Wilson	*Hamish Hamilton*	£11.95

NON-FICTION

1	**A Brief History of Time**, Stephen King	*Bantam*	£12.95
2	**1988 Michelin France**	*Michelin*	£ 9.00
3	**Darling Me: Letters**, Joyce Grenfell	*Hodder & Stoughton*	£14.95
4	**George and Manna**, Christopher Warwick	*Weidenfeld*	£12.50
5	**Truman Capote**, Gerald Clarke	*Hamish Hamilton*	£16.95

PAPERBACKS

1	**Green Consumer Guide**, E Kington & J Hailes	*Gollancz*	£ 3.95
2	**Moon Tiger**, Penelope Lively	*Penguin*	£ 3.99
3	**The Radiant Way**, Margaret Drabble	*Penguin*	£ 3.95
4	**The Child in Time**, Ian McEwan	*Picador*	£ 3.95
5	**The Colour of Blood**, Brian Moore	*Paladin*	£ 3.95
6	**Not That Sort of Girl**, Mary Wesley	*Black Swan*	£ 3.95
7	**Of Love and Shadows**, Isabel Allende	*Black Swan*	£ 2.95
8	**Talking To Strange Men**, Ruth Rendell	*Arrow*	£ 2.99
9	**A Handful of Dust**, Evelyn Waugh	*Penguin*	£ 3.99
10	**Oscar Wilde**, Richard Ellman	*Penguin*	£ 6.99

Source: Hatchards, 187 Piccadilly, London W1

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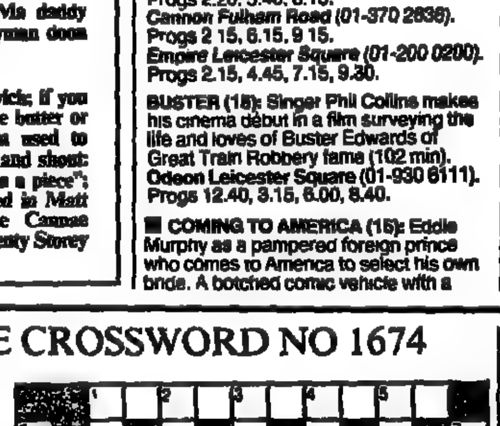

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11 Likelihood (8)
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16 Sumptuous (8)
18 Bargain (4)
21 Funny (5)
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23 High net team game (10)

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2 Black/white merganser (4)
3 Blue Arrow yacht sponsor (5,2,6)
4 Man-drawn vehicle (8)
5 Unwarranted (5)
6 Framboesia (4)
7 Devon centre (6)
12 Formal etiquette (8)
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17 Hell border (5)
19 Shove (4)
20 Wife of Zeus (4)

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WINNING MOVE

By Raymond Keene, Chess Correspondent

The above position is taken from the game between Dlugy (White) and Adorjan (Black), played in New York last year. Black plays and wins. The winning move will be given in tomorrow's *Times*.

Solution to yesterday's position: Black wins with 1g4

ENTERTAINMENTS

OPERA & BALLET

COLISEUM S 836 3161 cc 240 5258 ENGLISH NATIONAL OPERA Ton't 8.00 Tosca. Tomor 7.30 La Traviata.

ROYAL OPERA HOUSE 240 1066/1911. Stdby info 836 6903. S CC 65 amphi seats avail on the day. Ton't 7.30 THE ROYAL OPERA Turandot. Sat 7.30 Die Entführung aus dem Serail.

SADLER'S WELLS 278 8916 First Call CC 24 hr 7 day 240 7200 Opens Ton't Eves 7.30 MICHAEL CLARK & COMPANY.

THEATRES

ALMEIDA THEATRE (01 359 4404 or 01 226 4468cc Mon-Sat 10am-6pm) ROYAL SHAKESPEARE COMPANY Today 2.00 & 7.30 rtns 30 Sept Seneca's OEDIPUS adapted by Ted Hughes. Hypnotically compelling" D Telegraph. HELLO AND GOODBYE rtns tomor 7.30.

AMBASSADORS 01 836 6111/2 cc 836 1171. CC with bkg fee 240 7200/01-741 9999/Grp Sales 930 6123. Eves 7.30, Wed mat 3, Sat 4 & 8. Royal Shakespeare Company's LES LIAISONS DANGEREUSES. Winner of 4 "BEST PLAY" awards. Seats sometimes available - Call Today!

ADELPHI 836 7611 or 240 7913/4 CC 741 9999/ 836 7358/ 379 4444 First call 24hr cc 240 7200 (no bkg fee) Groups 930 6123 NOW BOOKING TO APRIL '89 ME AND MY GIRL THE LAMBETH WALK MUSICAL Nightly at 7.30 Mats Wed at 2.30 & Sat 4.30 & 8.00 "THE HAPPIEST SHOW IN TOWN" S Express

ALBERY 867 1115 cc 867 1111 379 4444 (No bkg fee)/741 9999 240 7200 (Bkg fee) Grps 867 1113 WILLY RUSSELL'S BEST MUSICAL SWET Award 1983 BLOOD BROTHERS Starring KIKI DEE "ASTONISHING...A Milestone in British Musicals" S Exp "THRILLING, ORIGINAL and IMPORTANT...Brings the audience to its feet, and roaring its approval" D Mail. Eves 7.45 Mats Thurs 3 Sat 4

APOLLO VICTORIA SS 828 8665 cc 630 6262 Groups 828 6188 CC Open All Hours 379 4444 1st Call 240 7200 K Prowse 741 9999 Groups 930 6123. Eves 7.45 Mats Tue & Sat 3.0 "PHENOMENAL...YOU HAVE TO SEE IT" D Tel STARLIGHT EXPRESS Music by ANDREW LLOYD WEBBER Lyric by RICHARD STILGOE Directed by TREVOR NUNN SOME SEATS AVAIL THIS WEEK OAP's £5 on Tues mats NOW BOOKING TO MAR 31 '89

APOLLO Shaftes. Ave. 01-437 2663 CCTB 01-741 9999 (No Bkg Fee) Open All Hours 01 379 4444 (No Bkg Fee) Grp Sls 01 930 6123 WENDY HILLER BARRY FOSTER CLARKE PETERS in DRIVING MISS DAISY by Alfred Uhry Winner 1988 Pulitzer Prize "A Magical Performance" S Tel Evgs. Mon-Sat 8.00 Mats. Sat 5.00

ALDWYCH 836 6404/0641 CC 379 6233/741 9999 First Call 836 3464 (Bkg Fee) PREVIEWS NOW Evgs 7.30 Sat 5 & 8.30 OPENS SEPT 27 7.0 ROWAN ATKINSON TIMOTHY WEST CHERYL CAMPBELL in THE SNEEZE Plays & Stories by Anton Chekhov Adapted by Michael Frayn Directed by Ronald Eyre

ARTS S 836 2132 CC 379 4444 24 hrs 7 days (no bkg fee) Hull Truck in John Godber's TEECHERS "TALES OUT OF SCHOOL" The Guardian. "MARVELLOUSLY FUNNY" The Times Mon-Thur 8, Fri & Sat 6.30 & 9 Stud., UB40's, Sat Ctn £1.50 off 1 hr before perf.

BOULEVARD Berwick St Soho W1. Sept 20 - Oct 16 Tel 01 434 1238 CANDIDA by G B Shaw JULIA FOSTER RICHARD GIBSON VICTOR MADDERN PETER FACEY Perfs Evgs 7.45 Sat Mat 4.00

BARBICAN THEATRE 01 638 8891 cc (Mon-Sun 10am-8pm) ROYAL SHAKESPEARE COMPANY TKTS AVAIL FOR FINAL PERFS Tonight 2.0 & 7.30 30 Sept & 1 Oct. THE MERCHANT OF VENICE 'Antony Sher's performance is an outright triumph' Indep. THE TAMING OF THE SHREW rtns tomor 7.30. Sunday 7.00pm 'RAISING THE CURTAIN' all-star gala. Some tkts still avail! THE PIT Today 2.0 & 7.30 TITUS ANDRONICUS. Tomor, Sat 7.00 THE BITE OF THE NIGHT.

BLOOMSBURY THEATRE Gordon Street WC1 01 387 9629 The National Youth Theatre presents BLOOD WEDDING by Frederico Garcia Lorca LAST WEEK Evgs 8.00 Sat 2.30 & 8.00 Sponsored by Sainsburys

CRITERION S 867 1117 CC 867 1111/379 4444/741 9999. Grps 867 1113. Eves 8. Thu mat 2.30, Sat 5.30 & 8.30 "BRITISH FARCE AT ITS BEST" D Mail The Theatre of Comedy Company BRIAN MURPHY JEFFREY HOLLAND JOHN JUNKIN LINDA HAYDEN JILL FOOT RAY LONNEN LESLIE LAWTON RUN FOR YOUR WIFE! LONDON'S LONGEST RUNNING COMEDY Written and directed by RAY COONEY Over 2000 side-splitting perfs "SHOULD RUN FOR LIFE" S. Ex

CAMBRIDGE 379 5299 cc no bkg fee 741 9999/ 24hr bkg fee 240 7200/379 4444 Groups 930 6123 NOW BOOKING ADAM FAITH ANITA DOBSON BUDGIE The Musical. Opens October 18. Previews from October 4

CHICHESTER 0243 781312 THE ROYAL BACCARAT SCANDAL "Great Fun" S. Exp. RING ROUND THE MOON "Theatrical Magic" D Mail. Eves 7.30 Mats Thu & Sat 2.30.

DOMINION (01) 580 9562 JIM DAVIDSON in CINDERELLA with SHERRIE HEWSON GEORGE SEWELL Opens Dec 17th for 8 wks.

DONMAR WAREHOUSE 240 8230 CC 867 1111/379 4444 FRINGE PICK OF THE FRINGE 26 Sept-1 Oct 7pm Communicado BLOOD WEDDING 9.15 JEREMY HARDY. 11.15 (Thu-Sat) THE FRONT LAWN.

DRURY LANE THEATRE ROYAL Box Office & CC 01 836 8108. Open All Hours 379 4444 (no bkg fee) First Call 24hr 7 day cc bkgs on 01 240 7200 (no bkg fee). David Merrick's 42ND STREET WINNER OF THREE MAJOR 'BEST MUSICAL' AWARDS 1984 Evgs 8.0 Mats Wed 3.0, Sat 5.0 & 8.30 Reduced price mat Weds. Students and OAP's standby. Group Sales 01 930 6123

DUKE OF YORKS 836 5122 cc 836 9837 240 7200/379 4444/741 9999. ALAN AYCKBOURN'S "DELIRIOUSLY FUNNY" D Tel HOW THE OTHER HALF LOVES "PERFECTION...it will leave you weeping with laughter" D.Exp "HILARIOUS" Today "THE FUNNIEST EVENING IN LONDON" NoW Mon-Fri 8 Mat Thu 3 Sat 5 & 8.15

FORTUNE 836 2238/240 1514 CC 741 9999 First Call 836 3464 (Bkg Fee) Evenings 8.0 Sats 5.00 & 8.30 MAUREEN LIPMAN in RE: JOYCE! Adapted from the works of JOYCE GRENFELL with Denis King Directed by Alan Strachan

GARRICK 379 6107 CC 240 7200 24 hrs 7 days 741 9999/379 4444 open all hours (no bkg fee) Grps 240 7941 Mon to Fri 8pm Mat Tues 3pm Sat 5pm & 8.15pm NOEL COWARD'S COMEDY EASY VIRTUE "...a triumph" D.Mail "Not to be missed" S Tel "Hilarious...wonderful stuff" S.Exp

GLOBE THEATRE 01 437 3667/741 9999. First Call 836 3464 (bkg fee). MAGGIE SMITH MARGARET TYZACK in LETTICE AND LOVAGE a new comedy by PETER SHAFFER with RICHARD PEARSON directed by MICHAEL BLAKEMORE Evgs 7.45. Sat Mat 3.00

GREENWICH THEATRE 01-858 7755 cc 01 853 5800 (no bkg fee) Evenings 7.45 Mats Sat 2.30 CAPTAIN CARVALLO by Denis Cannan. "A rip-roaring tale of romance" Time Out. "Wonderfully funny" Times.

HAMPSTEAD 722 9301 Extended till Sept 24 THE FANCY MAN by Mike Stott "One of the most impressively sane and profound plays of this London Summer..." Punch Eves 8pm. Sat 4.30 & 8pm. ENDS SAT

HAYMARKET THEATRE ROYAL Box Office & CC 01-930 9832 First Call 24 hour 7 day cc bkgs on 01 240 7200 (Bkg Fee) REX HARRISON EDWARD FOX "Raise the Roof" D Exp. "Subtle, Powerful, Tender" Obs in J.M. BARRIE'S "Wickedness...Courageous Comedy" Sun Exp. THE ADMIRABLE CRICHTON Evgs 8.00. Mats Weds & Sats 3.00

HER MAJESTY'S Haymarket 839 2244 CC 24hr 379 4444 (bkg fee) 240 7200 (bkg fee) Group Sales 930 6123 ANDREW LLOYD WEBBER'S AWARD WINNING MUSICAL THE PHANTOM OF THE OPERA DAVE WILLETTS CLAIRE MOORE MICHAEL BALL Jan Hartley Morris plays Christine at certain performances Directed by HAROLD PRINCE Eves 7.45 Mats Wed & Sat 3 New booking period 3 April-30 Sept '89. Queue daily for returns.

LONDON PALLADIUM 01-437 7373 EVENINGS 7.30, MATS WEDS & SATS 2.45 TOPOL in "The Most Spectacular Show the West End Has Seen in Years" TODAY ZIEGFELD A Musical Extravaganza with Cast of 50 Seats also available 24 hours 7 days a week through First Call on 01-836 2428. Party bookings 01-240 7941. SPECIAL MATINEE OFFERS: Weds Mats all seats half price. Sats Mats Stalls/Royal Circle seats £10.50 each from 10am on day of performance.

LYRIC 01 437 3686 01 434 1550 cc 01 434 1050/734 5166/741 9999 24 hr cc 379 4444/836 3464 (bkg fee) Grps 930 6123 BRIAN RIX ELSPET GRAY DEREK GRIFFITHS & RICHARD VERNON in DRY ROT by JOHN CHAPMAN Evgs 8 Mats Thur 3 Sat 5 Now Previewing Opens Sept 28

LYRIC HAMMERSMITH 01 741 2311 Evgs 7.45pm Mats Wed 2.30pm Sat 4pm. Oz '88 presents DREAMS IN AN EMPTY CITY by Stephen Sewell. "Highly charged conflict between three brilliantly performed characters" Times. "A chandelierque setting of financial and murderous intrigue" F Times Studio Evgs 8pm THE GO-GO BOYS in PRIVATE MEMBERS.

NATIONAL THEATRE SBI Box Office & CC 01-928 2252 Agencies, bkg fee: 240 7200 /741 9999 NATIONAL THEATRE OLIVIER Ton't 7.00 (press night) Tomor 7.00 CYMBELINE by Shakespeare. COTTESLOE Ton't 7.30 WHEN WE WERE WOMEN new play by Sharman Macdonald replaces THE FATHER. The opening of The Father is now postponed until 26 Oct. Phone Box Office for full details. Tomor 7.30 (last perfs) THE STRANGENESS OF OTHERS new play by Nick Ward. Cheap seats days of perfs all theatres from 10am

NEW LONDON Drury Lane WC2 405 0072 CC 404 4079 OPEN ALL HOURS 379 4444. Tkts from W H Smith Travel Branches. Eves 7.45 Tue & Sat 3.00 & 7.45 THE ANDREW LLOYD WEBBER /T.S. ELIOT MUSICAL CATS Group Bookings 01 930 6123 or 01 405 1567. NOW BOOKING TO APRIL 89

OLD VIC 928 7616 cc 261 1821. Eves 7.30. Wed Mat 2.30. Sat 4.00 & 7.45. (11 Oct 7pm). THE TEMPEST by William Shakespeare Directed by Jonathan Miller Reduced price previews from 6 Oct. Press Night 11 Oct at 7.00 LIMITED SEASON!

PALACE THEATRE 434 0909 24hrs cc 379 4444 (bkg fee) 240 7200 (bkg fee) Groups 930 6123 Grps 494 1671 "THE SHOW OF ALL SHOWS" Newsweek Winner of 8 Tony Awards inc BEST MUSICAL LES MISERABLES THE MUSICAL SENSATION Eves 7.30 Mats Thu & Sat 2.30 Latecomers not admitted until the interval "FIGHT TO GET A TICKET" LBC NOW BOOKING TO MAR 31 '89

PHOENIX 01 836 2294 cc 240 9661/741 9999 and 24hrs with bkg fee 379 4444/240 7200 groups 836 2294/930 6123 The Renaissance Theatre Co's Shakespeare PLAYING THIS WEEK: Today at 2.30 & 7.45 AS YOU LIKE IT directed by Geraldine McEwan Tomor at 7.45/Sat at 4.00 & 8.00 MUCH ADO ABOUT NOTHING directed by Judi Dench

PICCADILLY 867 1118 cc 867 1111/379 4444 (no bkg fee) 240 7200/741 9999 Grps 867 1113 The Fabulous Singlettes in STOP IN THE NAME OF LOVE "A gloriously tongue-in-cheek tribute to the legendary girl groups" Times Mon-Thurs 8 Fri & Sat 6.30 & 9 MONDAYS ALL SEATS £5!

PLAYHOUSE WC2 01 839 4401 CC 01 240 7200/741 9999/379 4444 (no bkg fee). Grps 930 6123 SIMON CADELL & LISA HARROW in DOUBLE ACT by Barry Creyton a scintillating new divorced comedy Opens Ton't 7pm. Eves 8pm. Mats Thur & Sat 3pm (No Mat Today).

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TELEVISION AND RADIO

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BBC1

6.30 Olympic Breakfast Time with Steve Rider. Highlights of the overnight action and live coverage of the closing stages of the show jumping section of the three-day event and the men's hockey match between Great Britain and West Germany. Plus news on the hour and half hour with regional news and weather at **6.55** and **7.55**. **8.55** Regional news and weather.
9.00 News and weather followed by Olympic Grandstand presented by Bob Wilson and Sally Jones. Cycling, gymnastics, swimming, weightlifting, and tennis are among the events covered. News and weather at **10.00**
10.25 Children's BBC introduced by Andy Crane beginning with Play School (r). **10.50** The Perishers (r). **10.55** Five to Eleven with Dora Bryan.
11.00 News and weather followed by Olympic Grandstand. Bob Wilson and Sally Jones introduce live coverage of five swimming finals – the women's 400m freestyle; men's 100m freestyle; women's 100m backstroke; men's 200m backstyroke; and the women's 4x100m freestyle relay. Includes news and weather at **12.00**. **12.55** Regional news and weather.
1.00 One O'Clock News with Michael Buerk. Weather **1.30** Neighbours. Lucy goes into a sulk and Henry pleads his innocence.
1.50 Film: Moonfleet (1955) starring Stewart Granger, George Sanders and Joan Greenwood. Adventure yarn about a celebrated Dorset smuggler. Directed by Fritz Lang
3.15 Gardeners' Direct Line. The last in the series in which Geoffrey Smith and Stefan Buczacki answer viewers' gardening queries submitted by telephone. To participate ring Leeds (0532) 446222 before 2.30pm
3.50 Bertha (r). **4.05** The Snorks. Animated stories **4.20** Beat the Teacher. Quiz game presented by Bruno Brookes **4.35** The Kids of Degrassi Street. Adventures of a group of Toronto children (r).
5.00 Newsround with John Craven, Roger Finn and Terry Baddoo **5.05** Blue Peter builds an attractive personal pinboard. (Ceefax) **5.35** Neighbours (r).
6.00 Six O'Clock News with Nicholas Witchell and Philip Hayton. Weather
6.35 London Plus
7.00 Olympics Today. Desmond Lynam with highlights of the day's action in Seoul including five swimming finals, gymnastics, hockey and cycling
8.00 EastEnders. Dr Legg receives a visit from an apprehensive Colin who wants to know the results of his neurological tests. (Ceefax)
8.30 Top of the Pops introduced by Nicky Campbell and Andy Crane. Simultaneous broadcast on stereo Radio 1.
9.00 Nine O'Clock News with Martyn Lewis and Philip Hayton. Regional news and weather.
9.30 The Lenny Henry Show. This week the "crucial" Delbert Wilkins has advice on how to deal with banks and bank managers. (Ceefax)
10.00 Question Time. Sir Robin Day's guests in this first of a new series are Baroness Blackstone and MPs Alan Beith, Kenneth Clarke and David Owen
11.00 The Good Life. Another chapter from the comic saga of the self-sufficient suburbanites – the Goods (r). Followed by Weather.
11.30 Olympic Grandstand introduced by Steve Rider. The timetable is (subject to alteration): **12.00** Athletics/swimming; **3.00am** Gymnastics/athletics; **5.00** Athletics; **6.15** Hockey/swimming. Ends at **6.30**.

ITV/LONDON

6.00 TV-am
9.25 Thames news and weather **9.30** Runway. Travel and general knowledge quiz hosted by Richard Madeley **10.00** Puddle Lane. Puppet series, with Neil Innes (r). **10.20** News headlines **10.25** Thames news and weather
10.30 Mr & Mrs. Quiz game for married couples. The questionmaster is Derek Batey
11.00 Olympics 1988 with Dickie Davies and Hazel Irvine. Includes five swimming finals; the modern pentathlon; cycling; showjumping; gymnastics; shooting; tennis and men's hockey.
1.00 News at One with Jon Snow **1.30** Thames news and weather
1.30 Olympics 1988 continued.
2.00 A Country Practice. Medical drama series set in a remote Australian sheep township
3.00 Take the High Road. Why is Fiona being secretive about the reasons for wanting to see her father? **3.25** Thames news and weather **3.30** Sons and Daughters. Australian family drama serial
4.00 Button Moon. Puppet series **4.10** Tube Mice. Cartoon adventures **4.20** Wish I Could Play Like That. The guests are Rick Wakeman and Keith Chegwin **4.45** Dangermouse. Animated adventures of a secret service rodent (r).
5.15 Olympics 1988. The best of the day's action introduced by Nick Owen and Alison Holloway.
5.45 News with Alastair Stewart
6.00 Olympics 1988 highlights continued
6.30 Thames news and weather **6.55** Help! with advice on alarms for the elderly
7.00 Emmerdale Farm. Annie is involvnd in an accident at Emmerdale.
7.30 Carry on Laughing. A compilation of clips from the successful *Carry On* series of comedy films (r).
8.00 This Week. A documentary exploring the relationship between Republican presidential candidate George Bush and General Manuel Noriega, the Panamanian chief accused by the United States of drug running. The programme includes interviews with Noriega and United States lawmen who want to bring him to book.
8.30 The Bill. More crime and confusion for the officers of Sun Hill police station. (Oracle)
9.00 The Equalizer. McCall is summoned to help a mentally retarded man accused of murdering a woman. (Oracle)
10.00 News at Ten with Alastair Burnet and Carol Barnes **10.30** Thames news and weather.
10.35 The City Programme includes the results of a survey on City salaries; and a preview of a crucial insider dealing test case
11.05 01- for London includes Mickey Rooney talking about his musical *Sugar Babies*. Followed by Crimestoppers.
11.35 Prisoner: Cell Block H. Drama serial set in an Australian women's prison.
12.25am What the Papers Say with Lesley Garner of the *Daily Telegraph*
12.35 A Problem Aired. The case of the effect on a mother, who was eagerly anticipating being a grandmother, when her daughter gave birth to a still-born child
1.00 The Godfathers. The band in concert at the Town and Country Club, Kentish Town
2.00 News headlines followed by Film: The Rough and the Smooth (1959, b/w) starring Nadja Tiller and Tony Britton. Drama about an engaged man who becomes captivated by a mysterious beauty. Directed by Robert Siodmak
4.00 News headlines followed by Too Close For Comfort. Comedy series
4.30 America's Top Ten (r).
5.00 ITN Morning News. Ends **6.00**

BBC2

6.55 Open University: Meanings of Madness. Ends at **7.20**. **8.00** Ceefax.
9.20 Daytime on Two: a garden festival **9.40** Information technology **10.00** Different types of bread **10.25** Thinkabout **10.40** Teachers' science programme **11.00** Tudor ships and seamen **11.20** Woodlands **11.40** *The Crossing*, drama about a young African girl working for the guerrillas **12.10** Trigonometry **12.30** Is the earth on the edge of a man-made disaster? **12.55** Managing change.
1.25 Chock-a-Block (r). **1.40** Music Time (r).
2.00 News and weather followed by Watch (r).
2.15 Olympic Grandstand featuring tennis from Seoul and the **2.30**, **3.05**, **3.40** and **4.10** races from Ascot. News and weather at **2.55** and **3.55**.
4.30 Living on the Land. A portrait of Yorkshire landowner George Lane Fox (r). **4.55** Family Portrait. The de Greys of Merton Hall (r).
5.35 Country File. Past and present on East Anglia's River Stour (r).
6.00 Film: Lady Hamilton (1941, b/w) starring Vivien Leigh and Laurence Olivier. Dramatized account of the notorious love affair between Lord Nelson and the wife of the Britain's Ambassador to Italy. Directed by Alexander Korda
8.00 Natural Concern: The Acid Test. Ian Breach tells the story of a public health cover-up in Cornwall.
8.30 Car of the Decade. William Woollard presents a history of motor car design (revised repeat).
9.00 Cool It. Comedy impressions from Phil Cool
9.30 A Picture of Health. This second of three programmes explores the birth and early life of the NHS.
10.20 Film 88 includes reviews of *Stars and Bars*, *No Man's Land* and *The Running Man* (r).
10.50 Newsnight **11.35** Weather
11.40 Open University: Weekend Outlook **11.45** Fundamentals of Computing. Ends **12.15am**.

CHANNEL 4

7.00 Olympics 1988. Highlights of the overnight action in Seoul
9.30 Schools: keeping warm **9.52** Junior maths **10.04** Early morning routine **10.23** CDT teaching to 11- to 14-year-olds **10.41** World development problems **11.03** An introduction to reading **11.16** Harvesting **11.32** Autumn **11.44** Two young *Brookside* actors compare their professional and private lives.
12.00 Just 4 Fun. Jack Nicholson narrates Rudyard Kipling's story *The Elephant's Child* (r).
12.30 Business Daily.
1.00 Sesame Street.
2.00 Crown and Shamrock. A portrait of two Anglo-Irish landlords (r).
2.30 Film: Everything is Rhythm (1936, b/w) starring Harry Roy. Comedy musical exploiting the talents of the popular 1930s bandleader. Directed by Alfred Goulding.
3.48 In My Experience. Mavis Nicholson talks to Dame Alicia Markova about her life and career (r).
4.20 Fifteen-to-One.
5.00 Film: Three Coins in the Fountain (1954) Romantic comedy about three American secretaries on holiday in Rome who throw coins into the Trevi Fountain – and wish. With Dorothy McGuire, Jean Peters and Maggie McNamara. Directed by Jean Negulesco. **6.55** The Poem. An animated film
7.00 Channel 4 News with Peter Sissons and Nik Gowing
7.50 Comment followed by Weather
8.00 Hot Property. The first of a new weekly magazine series for home dwellers.
8.30 A Different World. A new comedy series – a spin-off from *The Cosby Show*.
9.00 *Tanner '88*. (see Choice)
10.00 True Stories: East End GPs. (see Choice)
11.00 Walkie Talkie. Muriel Gray joins John Byrne, painter and creator of *Tutti Frutti*, on a walk around Glasgow.
11.30 Olympics 1988. Live coverage of athletics events including the women's marathon at **12.30am** and the 20km walk beginning at **4.50**. Ends **7.00**.

Tanner for your vote

TELEVISION CHOICE

● Since American presidential candidates these days are primarily fashioned for and by the media, it seems only a short step to invent one, give him a campaign staff and send him on the nomination trail in full view of press and television. Such was the genesis of Tanner '88 (Channel 4, 9.00pm), a very funny and all too accurate satire on the American political process devised by Garry Trudeau (of *Doonesbury*) and the film director Robert Altman. It is, of course, a fiction, with Jack Tanner, a late contender for the 1988 Democratic nomination, played by Michael Murphy. But it is filmed in a documentary style, with hand-held cameras and overlapping dialogue (an Altman speciality), and it has Tanner "campaigning" alongside real candidates like Bob Dole, Pat Robertson and Gary Hart. Altman's word for this new genre is "mockumentary" and the line between reality and fantasy sometimes becomes thin indeed. Out on the stump a farmer tells Tanner: "I'm probably gonna vote for Du-da-kis." To which Tanner retorts: "Well now, you don't want to vote for a guy unless you know his name." The Tanner biography is immaculately constructed: his involvement in the civil rights movement and the campaign against the Vietnam War, election to Congress, a daughter with Hodgkin's Disease and a failed marriage. The image-building includes a tip from his campaign staff that he should never be photographed carrying his own bag: "It means you can't delegate." *Tanner '88* is a delicious joke. It makes you think that if Jack Tanner did stand, he would be elected. After all, Ronald Reagan started as an actor.

Michael Murphy as a last-minute Democratic candidate in a "mockumentary" about the American election (C4, 9.00pm)

● Amanda Richardson's documentary, East End GPs (Channel 4, 10.00pm) is a reminder that behind the booming façade of riverside yuppie flats, the London docklands are still an area of poverty, homelessness, unemployment – and disease. Tower Hamlets, where the film was made, was recently branded one of the most unhealthy places in Britain. "I see more pathology here in six months than someone working in an area like Berkshire might see in six years," says Dr John Robson, member of a group practice in Poplar. Dr John Balazs, who works with the homeless, admits: "I am not doing this job with the expectation that I am going to change anyone's life." All the GPs interviewed agree that poor health is the consequence of social deprivation.

Peter Waymark

Leaping to conclusions

RADIO CHOICE

● Any expectations you might have that Six Lords A-Leaping (Radio 4, 11.25am) might have something to do with G & S or athletic peers, will have been confounded three weeks ago when the series started. The intention behind these John Timpson interviews, apparently, is to demonstrate that there really is life after elevation to the peerage. The closest anyone gets to leaping during these friendly encounters between commoner and noble is when Timpson exclaims "marvellous!", giving us the impression that he has jumped off the ground in a fit of astonishment. This week's non-leaping peer is the Earl of Cranbrook, noted conservationist and environmentalist. His achievements have sometimes been distorted by newspapers. His thesis on the birds that make birds' nest soup possible – the outcome of months spent in a cave in Borneo, which also resulted in a paper about the heel bone of a dog that died 20,000 years ago – earned him the *Daily Express* headline: "Peer proves pigeons won't sit on pointed eggs", which was not the object of the exercise. When asked by the RSPCA to head an inquiry into the practicability of a proficiency test for anglers and shooters, he suggested that one of the most humane methods of despatching an injured rabbit would be a knock-out punch. For his pains, he was reviled in some newspapers for advocating cruelty to animals. On the lighter side, and with no hint of resentment, the fifth Earl of Cranbrook reveals that whereas both of his young sons have had reptiles named after them, thus far the only species to carry his name are a mite and a sub-genus of flea.

Keen conservationist: the Earl of Cranbrook (R4, 11.25am)

● One of 10 owners of small businesses will be £10,000 better off tonight. The 10 are finalists in the *Radio 4/Radio Times Enterprise Competition*, and the winner will be announced in Enterprise Winners (Radio 4, 8.15pm). For suspense of another kind, listen to the final, mole-unearthing episode of Tinker, Tailor, Soldier, Spy (Radio 4, 12.25pm).

Peter Davalle

Lisa Bonet, who stars in a new comedy series (C4, 8.30pm)

VARIATIONS

Czech Mate 2.15 *The Time... The Place* 3.15 Best of the Best Club 4.00-5.00 Jobfinder.

CHANNEL As London except:1.20pm-1.30 News 2.30-3.00 Short Story Theatre 6.30-7.00 Channel Report 10.35 Film: Aces High 12.40am Quincy 1.40 Sports Action 2.40 Nahlinn 3.00 The Time...The Place 3.40 Concert 4.30-5.00 Fifty Years On.

GRANADA As London except:1.20pm-1.30 *Granada Reports* 3.30-4.00 Young Doctors 6.30-7.00 Granada Reports 7.30-8.00 Auf Wiedersehen, Pet 10.35 Celebration 11.05 Prisoner Cell Block H 12.00 What the Papers Say 12.15am Film: The Glory Guys 2.20 Rap Special 3.00 The Time...The Place 3.40 Night Beat 4.40-5.00 Jobfinder.

HTV WEST As London except:1.20pm-1.30 News 6.30-7.00 News 7.30-8.00 Auf Wiedersehen, Pet 10.35 Lyneham, Home of the Hercules 11.20 New Squadronaires 11.35 The Fugitive 12.30am Film: Royal Flash 2.20 Bowls 3.00 Lyneham 3.40 Trans World Sport 4.40-5.00 Jobfinder.

HTV WALES As HTV West except:6.30-7.00 Wales at Six 10.35 Chances Are... 11.05-11.35 Rugby.

TSW As London except:1.20pm-1.30 News 2.00-3.00 Crazy Like A Fox 6.30-7.00 Today 7.30-8.00 Survival of the Fittest 10.35 Business South West 11.05 Auf Wiedersehen, Pet 12.05am Twilight Zone 12.15 Film: Glory Guys 3.00 The Time...The Place 3.40 Night Beat 4.40 Jobfinder 4.50-5.00 Flatseries News.

TVS As London except:1.20pm-1.30 News 2.30-3.00 Short Story 6.30-7.00 Coast to Coast 10.35 Film: Aces High 12.40am Quincy 1.40 Sports Action 2.40 Nahlinn 3.00 The Time...The Place 3.40 Concert 4.40-5.00 Fifty Years On.

TYNE TEES As London except:1.20pm-1.30 News 2.00-3.00 Falcon Crest 6.30-7.00 Northern Life 7.30-8.00 Auf Wiedersehen, Pet 10.35 Northern Eye 11.05 Prisoner Cell Block H 12.00 On the Live Side 12.15am Film: Glory Guys 2.20 Pop Profile 3.00 The Time...The Place 3.40 Night Beat 4.40-5.00 Jobfinder.

ULSTER As London except:10.30am-11.00 Ulster Way 1.20pm-1.30 News 6.30-7.00 Six Tonight 7.30-8.00 Auf Wiedersehen, Pet 10.35 Counterpoint 11.05 Carson's Law 12.00 News, Closedown.

YORKSHIRE As London except:1.20pm-1.30 News 6.30-7.00 Calendar 7.30-8.00 Auf Wiedersehen, Pet 10.35 To Have and to Hold 11.05 Special Squad 12.00 Film: Valley of the Dolls 2.00am POV 3.00 Married with Children 3.30 Music Box 4.30-5.00 Job

S4C Starts:9.30am Schools 12.00 Interval 12.10pm Pobol y Cwm 12.30 News 12.35 Ffalabalam 1.00 Sesame Street 2.00 Fifteen to One 2.30 Importance of Being Earnest 4.30 Family Ties 5.00 The Orchestra 5.30 Go Fishing 6.00 News 6.15 Hafoc 6.40 Pobol y Cwm 7.00 O Vaughan I Fynwy 8.00 Dinas 8.30 News 8.55 Sad 10.00 Henry Moore 11.15 Slinky and Boo 11.30 Olympics.

RTE 1 4.50 Howl 5.15 Campbells 5.45 News 6.00 Garda Patrol 6.10 Paw Paws 6.30 In Search of... 7.00 Seoul '88 9.00 News 9.20 Today Tonight 10.00 Home to Roost 10.30 Wine Programme 11.00 Golden Girls 11.25 News. Closedown.

RTE 2 Starts:7.00am Seoul 88 10.00 Closedown 5.10pm Emmerdale Farm 5.40 Wuzzles 6.05 Hucklberry and Friends 6.30 Sullivans 7.00 Top of the Pops 7.30 Family Ties 8.00 Nuacht 8.05 Mart and Market 8.10 Whale Nation 9.10 Falcon Crest 10.05 Streets of San Francisco 11.00 Seoul 88, continues until

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5.30 Mark Goodier **7.00** Simon Mayo **9.30** Simon Bates **12.30** Newsbeat (Ian Parkinson) *12.45 Gary Davies* **3.00** *Steve* Wright **5.30** Newsbeat (Ian Parkinson) **5.45** Bruno Brookes **7.00** Top of the Pops with Nicky Campbell and Andy Crane **7.30** Liz Kershaw **9.00** Jean *Michel Jarre in the Dock* **10.00-12.00** Andy Kershaw.

Radio 2

VHF Stereo (except **10.00pm-12.00** midnight) and MW (medium wave). News on the hour **4.00** Bill Rennells **5.30** Chris Stuart **7.35** Derek Jameson **9.30** Emlyn Hughes **11.00** Jimmy Young **1.05** David Jacobs **2.05** Gloria Hunniford **3.30** Joe Brown **5.05** John Stalker **7.00** Wally Whyton **9.00** Lon Satton's Gospel Jubilee **10.00** The News Huddlines (new series) **10.30** Tunes the Beckers Whistled **11.00** Brian Matthew presents Round Midnight **1.00-4.00am** Patrick Lunt Nightride.

WORLD SERVICE

All times in GMT. Add an hour for BST. 6.00 Newsdesk 6.30 Time for Verse 6.40 The Farming World 7.00 World News 7.09 Twenty-four Hours 7.30 Just Plain Madness 7.45 Network UK 8.00 World News 8.09 Reflections 8.15 Country Style 8.30 John Peel 9.00 World News 9.09 Review of the British Press 9.15 The World Today 9.30 Financial News by Olympic Sportsworld 10.00 News Summary 10.01 Legacy of the Sixties 10.30 Londres Midi 11.00 World News 11.09 News about Britain 11.15 New Ideas 11.25 Book Choice 11.30 Citizens 12.00 Radio Newsreel 12.15 Multitrack 2 12.45 Sports Roundup 1.00 World News 1.09 our Hours 1.30 Olympic Sportsword 1.45 Jazz Scene UK 2.00 Outlook, opening with World News 2.45 Write On...3.00 Radio Newsreel 3.15 The Pleasure's Yours 4.00 World News 4.09 News about Britain 4.15 English by Radio 4.45 Londres Soir 5.30 Heute Aktuell 5.00 Programmes in German 7.00 Outlook, opening with News Summary 7.39 Stock Market Report 7.45 Olympic Sportsworld 8.00 World News 8.09 Twenty-four Hours 8.30 Mendien 9.00 News Summary 9.01 Talking from...9.15 A Jolly Good Show 10.00 World News 10.09 The World Today 10.25 Book Choice 10.30 Financial News 10.40 Reflections 10.45 Sports Roundup 11.00 World News 11.09 Commentary 11.15 Seven Seas 11.30 Time for Verse 11.40 The Farming World 12.00 World News 12.09 News about Britain 2.15 Radio Newsreel 12.30 Music Now 1.00 News Summary 1.30 Jazz Scene UK 1.45 Talking from...2.00 World News 2.09 Review of the British Press 2.15 *Health Matters* 2.30 *Citizens* 3.00 World News 3.09 News About Britain 3.15 The World Today 3.30 Six Four Eight News 3.35 Financial News 3.45 Morgenmagazin 4.45 The World Today 5.00 World News and Twenty-four Hours 5.30 Londres Matin

Radio 3

6.55 Weather, followed by News Headlines
7.00 *Morning Concert*: Albinoni (Oboe Concerto in B flat, Op 7 No 3: Pro Arte Orchestra under John Barbirolli with Evelyn Rothwell); Barthe (Passecaille: Albion *Ensemble*); *Elgar* (Introduction and Allegro Op 47: ECO under Benjamin Britten with Emanuel Hurwitz and José Luis Garcia, violins, Cecil Aronowitz, viola, and Bernard Richards, cello)
7.30 News
7.35 Morning Concert (contd): Charpentier (Theatre music Circe: London Baroque under Charles Medlam); Fauré (Impromptu Op 86: Osian Ellis, harp); Haydn (Symphony No 67 in F: Philharmonia Hungarica under Antal Dorati)
8.30 News
8.35 Composers of the Week: Liszt: Concerto in the Hungarian Style: Philadelphia Orchestra under Eugene Ormandy with Cyprien Katsaris (piano); *La notte*: Vera Beths (violin) with Reinbert de Leeuw (piano); Victor Hugo Songs: Brigitte Fassbaender (contralto) with Irwin Gage (piano); *The Battle of the Huns* (Leipzig Gewandhaus Orchestra under Kurt Masur)
9.35 Elgar Conducts Elgar: LSO under the composer perform *Overture to In the South* and Suite from The Crown of India (mono recordings, 1930)
10.10 Weber: Piano Sonata No 1 in C: Pietro Rigacci
10.40 Trio Sonnerie: Corelli's Sonata in E minor, Op 5 No 8; Frescobaldi's Canzone No 1 for viola da gamba and continuo; Fontana's Sonata No 2; and Corelli's Sonata *in C Op 5 No 3*
11.15 BBC Philharmonic Orchestra: Janos Fürst conducts Wagner's Prelude to Lohengrin; Mozart's Clarinet Concerto in A (K 622); and Sibelius's Symphony No 2 in D. With Michael Collins (clarinet). Includes **12.00** the Lieutenant Governor of the Isle of Man talks about the "*Manxness of Man*"
1.00 News
1.05 Bristol Lunchtime Concert (new season): First of six live recitals. Allan Schiller (piano) plays Schubert's Impromptus (D 899): No 1 in C minor; No 2 in E flat; Sonata in A minor (D 537); *Impromptus* (D 899): No 3 in G flat; and No 4 in A flat

Alec Guinness reads Eliot's Burnt Norton (R3, 10.00pm)

2.00 Scylla et Glaucus: Jean-Marie Leclair's tragedie lyrique sung in French by the Monteverdi Choir and *English Baroque Soloists* under John Eliot Gardiner. With René Schirrer (baritone), Andrew Murgatroyd and Nicolas Robertson (tenors), Donna Brown (soprano) and Howard Crook (tenor)
5.00 Mainly for Pleasure
5.30 Bandstand: IMI Yorkshire Imperial Band conducted by James Scott perform works by Derek Bourgeois, John Ireland and Philip Sparke (r)
7.00 News
7.05 Third Ear: Michael Hall talks to pianist and conductor Joshua Rifkin
7.30 *Jephtha*: Handel's three-act oratorio about a father's sacrificial promise to God performed by London Baroque Choir and London Baroque under Charles Medlam, with Howard Crook (tenor) and Emma Kirkby (soprano). Includes **8.20** and **9.15** Piers Burton-Page reads from Howard Mayer Brown's contribution to *Authenticity and Early Music: A Symposium*
10.00 T.S. Eliot Centenary Celebrations: The Four Quartets: Martin Dodsworth of London University reflects on the first quartet and Alec Guinness and John Franklyn-Robbins read *Burnt Norton*
10.45 Aarre Merikanto: Notturno (1929): Finnish RSO under Jukka-Pekka Saraste
11.00 Composers of the Week: Lennox Berkeley (r)
12.00 News
12.05 Wolf 88: Der Scholar: Hermann Prey (baritone) with Konrad Richter (piano); and Der Musikant: Dietrich Fischer-Dieskau (baritone) with Gerald Moore (piano). Ends **12.10am**

Radio 4

LW (long wave) (s) Stereo on VHF
5.55 Shipping Forecast **6.00** News Briefing; Weather **6.10** Farming Today **6.25** Prayer for the Day (s)
6.30 Today incl **6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30** News **8.42** The Past is Myself by Christabel Bielenberg (9 of 10) **8.57** Weather; Travel
9.00 News
9.05 Punters (r)
9.45 My Grandfather: Last of five recollections by Denis Constanduros, read by Benjamin Whitrow (s)
10.00 News; The Natural History Programme: Fergus Keeling and Jessica Holm discover *an insect that practises virgin sacrifice*
10.45 An Act of Worship (s)
11.00 News; Travel; Citizens
11.25 Six Lords-A-Leaping. In the third of six conversations, *John Timpson talks to the* Earl of Cranbrook (see Choice)
11.50 That's What I Like about the North: Martin Wainwright gives the last of six talks *about his return to his* native Leeds
12.00 News; You and Yours: Consumer news and advice with John Howard
12.25 Tinker, Tailor, Soldier, Spy: *by John le Carré, adapted* in seven parts by René Basilico (final part) (s) (r) (see Choice) **12.55** Weather
1.00 The World at One
1.40 *The Archers* (r) **1.55** Shipping Forecast
2.00 News; Woman's Hour: includes a discussion about Housing Action Trusts; a report on the Endurance *Horse-riding Championships* in America; and a feature on the recently-discovered work of English composer Lillian Elkington
3.00 News; The Aftermath: Play by Michael Toft about the effects of the miners' strike on the lives of many South Yorkshire women. With Barbara Marten, John Graham Davies, Lorraine Peters, Daryl Fishwick and Ray Ashcroft (s)
4.00 News
4.05 A Good Read: Valerie Grove and Lord Quinton discuss paperbacks they've enjoyed
4.35 Kaleidoscope (r)
5.00 PM **5.50** Shipping Forecast **5.55** Weather
6.00 Six O'Clock News; Financial Report
6.30 My Word! Michael O'Donnell chairs a light-hearted panel game with Dilys Powell and Frank Muir challenging Victoria Glendinning and Denis Norden (s) (r)
7.00 News
7.05 The Archers
7.20 Any Answers? An opportunity for views to air their views on subjects raised in last week's *Any Questions?*
7.30 Twentieth-Century Box: Robert Sandall with the story of the guitar (s)
8.15 Enterprise Winners: The winner of the 1988 Radio *Four/Radio Times* Enterprise competition is *announced (see Choice)*
9.00 Does He Take Sugar?
9.30 Heard Not Seen: In the last of the series Nick Baker talks to groups of 14-year-olds about their lives and *the world around them*
9.45 Kaleidoscope: Includes reviews of Douglas Dunn's collection of poetry *Northlight*, and Bruce Chatwin's novel *Utz*; an *interview with Jane Ackroyd* about her steel sculptures; and a feature about the International Foundation for Training in the Arts, an exchange project for Russian and British acting students set up by actor Brian Cox
10.15 A Book at Bedtime: The Iron Staircase by Georges Simenone (4 of 10) **10.29** Weather
10.30 The World Tonight
11.15 The Financial World Tonight
11.30 The Old School Ties: Jenni Mills meets pupils past and present from Haslingden High School in Lancashire
12.00 News **12.20** Weather
VHF as above except: **9.05-10.45am** For Schools: **9.05** Preview **9.10** Together-An Assembly for Schools **9.30** Living Language (s) **9.50** First Steps in Drama **10.10** Something to Think About **10.30** Tales of Narnia **11.00-12.00** For Schools: **11.00** Teachers' Talk **11.05** In the News **11.30** Pictures in Your Minds **11.40** Listen! **1.55-3.00pm** For Schools: **1.55** Listening Corner **2.05** Looking at Nature **2.20** Stambash Wangs of a Compo Gormer **2.40** Science for All **5.50-5.55** PM (continued) **11.30-12.10am** Open University: **11.30** The Novel and the Human Image **11.50** Romantic Poetry: Shelley **12.30-1.10** Schools Night-Time: English Resources 2.

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City 'under threat' as financial centre

By Roland Rudd, Employment Affairs Reporter

The City of London could lose its premier position as a global financial centre because of poor training and bad recruiting practices, an influential report warned yesterday.

In the first major study into the City's employment prospects some of its institutions are urged by the Institute of Manpower Studies to introduce more in-house training and better planning of human resources.

The report follows a survey of 500 City firms — some of them among the world's largest businesses — which revealed that only 15 per cent have plans to enhance training and development, use information technology and improve productivity methods, while 65 per cent are not planning any changes.

The IMS report finds City firms guilty of "vacuum cleaning" the labour market by using high pay and accelerated promotion to suck in staff away from other areas.

A complete change is called for in the way the City has filled its rapidly expanding need for staff by using recruitment practices which unfairly penalised good employers with comprehensive training schemes.

Mr Amin Rajan, author of the report, who talked to 500 companies both before and after the October crash, said yesterday that awareness of the need for change was painfully slow. "There is nothing like enough movement in relation to the magnitude of the problem".

Sir Nicholas Goodison, chairman of the Stock Exchange, says in a foreword that the pace of change has made it difficult for traditional career structures to meet the vastly increased demand for skills.

"The result has been dramatic. Employers have needed to attract a wide range of new staff and have drawn many of them from outside the City. There has been criticism of the disruptive effect on other labour markets."

The problem is that overall the City has created the jobs but not the skills, causing severe scarcities, disruptions, and pay anomalies, which have benefited job-hoppers.

In the context of the report "the City" geographically covers the square mile and the adacent boroughs in the inner London area. Industrially it covers six key areas: banking, other credit granting institutions, securities dealing, insurance, accountancy and management consultancy and software services.

The report argues that the solution to a contracting labour market can only be found within the framework of a business plan which takes account of the need for an in-house training and skills programme.

It also urges more emphasis should be put on teamwork and employers should re-examine their recruitment practices and the present under-representation of female management and ethnic minorities.

Companies should aim to create a flexible organisational structure to achieve the best working practices by promoting creativity, self-expression, self-control and teamwork.

Create or Abdicate: The City's Human Resource Choice for the 1990s (IMS, Mantell Building, University of Sussex, Falmer, Brighton, BN1 9RF; £25).

Rush-hour bus depot bomb injures 18

A distraught woman being comforted after an explosion during the afternoon rush hour yesterday at a bus terminus in Johannesburg used mainly by white commuters.

At least 18 people, mainly women, were injured. Only two of the injured, nearly all of whom were white, needed hospital treatment (Our Foreign Staff writes). Police closed off the area around Vanderbijl Square Bus Terminal, where whites board double-deck buses for the suburbs.

Reporters saw two injured whites lying in the street and buses with shattered windows. Immediately after the explosion, the injured were carried away to a shop near by for emergency treatment. "The bomb was apparently in a dustbin. I saw sparks and then it exploded," Mrs Hilda Grobbellar, one of the injured, said. She had seen at least 10 or 12 people with shrapnel wounds.

"I don't think anybody was killed. "God saved me this time," she added.

About 30 people have been killed in more than 100 urban guerilla attacks in South Africa this year.

The last was in a white apartment block outside Johannesburg on Monday.

The bombings, frequently aimed at whites, have been blamed by the Government on the African National Congress.

Private railway 'can cut fares'

By Andrew Morgan

A transport analyst yesterday suggested that British Rail could be privatized within two years with a subsequent saving on Inter-City fares of up to 40 per cent.

Mr Kenneth Irvine, of the Adam Smith Institute and a former British Rail manager, presented his details at a seminar in London chaired by Sir Ian MacGregor, former chairman of British Coal and British Steel, and attended by senior representatives of merchant banks, City analysts and accountancy firms.

Eighteen months ago Mr Irvine published a pamphlet, entitled *The Right Lines*, which detailed the approach to privatization. His revisions, contained in a new document due to be sent to ministers, were prompted by British Rail's improved annual results and public concern over proposed increases in long-distance commuter fares.

With competition, he says, fares could be decreased by between 25 and 40 per cent on the fares which British Rail intends to submit on lines to London from Bristol, Cardiff, Bath, Cambridge, Norwich and Doncaster.

Track would be privatized into an infrastructure company with competing firms paying for its use.

Foster Yeoman now uses its own stock hauling minerals from Somerset to others parts of Britain and Venice-Simplon, owned by Sea Containers, operates the Orient Express from Victoria to Folkstone and day excursions to Bath.

Unlike the Centre for Policy Studies, which believes that present British Rail sectors could be privatized individually, the institute thinks privatized companies would operate across the entire network, bidding for timetable slots. Individual companies would have check-in facilities at terminii, as at airports.

"British Rail's good results heightened the optimism of the merchant banks that it can get its act together. I think British Rail management has done a good job in reorganization and their marketing has improved. This helps our case dramatically and the merchant banks now have a far better impression of it", says Mr Irvine.

With the opening of the Channel Tunnel, firms such as Horizon Holidays are investigating the logistics of running their own stock from Britain through the tunnel to the Continent as all-inclusive holidays.

Countering fears of closing unprofitable lines, Mr Irvine said they would be operated under subsidy after being put out to private tender.

"There would be no need to close lines because the Government would ensure they are provided, but not through a nationalized industry", he said.

He says that British Rail estimated its deficit would be reduced to £450 million but he believes that competition could take it down to £250 million.

Thatcher steps up attack

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co-operation between EEC states "for the purpose of creating political and economic union," and could not oppose moves towards the abolition of frontiers.

He said Greece regarded the eventual transfer of national sovereignty to the EEC as inevitable, although it wanted the resulting United Europe to be a force for peace rather than another military superpower.

Mrs Thatcher's remarks were widely seen as "neo-Gaullist" in her assertion of a *Europe des Patries*. Her attack on "domination from Brussels" is seen as a reference to M Jacques Delors, President of the European Commission, who in June told the European Parliament that an embryo European Government would emerge within seven years.

M Delors was reticent yesterday, maintaining that "what unites us is more important than what divides us". But Commission officials acknowledge that relations between Mrs Thatcher and M Delors hae fallen to a new low. M Delors is expected to hit back before long.

"There is no question of restructuring 1992 to meet British demands," one official said.

Lord Cockfield, who has been sacked as Britain's senior EEC Commissioner for reportedly "going native" in Brussels, said his plans for VAT approximation — fiercely resisted by Britain — would go ahead. He was leaving behind a strong team to carry on the work, Lord Cockfield told the European Parliament's Economic Committee. He predicted that Britain would "come into line" over VAT as it had on other EEC issues.

Mr Santer: Paid tribute to Mrs Thatcher's tenacity.

Last night Mr George Foulkes, Labour's Foreign Affairs spokesman, said after Mrs Thatcher's Luxembourg speech that she was "like Boudicca making her disastrous way through the countries of Europe". Community leaders must be perplexed as to exactly what the British Government's policy on Europe was, he said.

"We in Britain must now suspect her motives in making these aggressive and arrogant outbursts. She seeks to distract attention from the worsening economic situation at home.

Britain will block TV plans

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EEC Council of Ministers meeting in Rhodes in December.

The Prime Minister won backing for her stance yesterday from Luxembourg, which is to play a pivotal role in the Direct Broadcasting Satellite revolution that begins next year. On the second leg of her continental tour, her "hands off" approach was endorsed by M Jacques Santer, Luxembourg's leader.

After a private meeting between the two leaders a senior British government source said: "We want to reserve natural break advertising rather than long breaks after a long period. We prefer a Council of Europe convention to an EEC directive. We agree on all these things.

"They, like us, won't sign a convention in Stockholm unless our advertising concerns are met. They, like us, don't like the that a majority of the material to be broadcast should be given over to EEC-produced material."

The Prime Minister's unequivocal stance was immediately welcomed by Mr Richard Dunn, chairman of the ITV Association which represents Britain's 16 commercial televisions stations. Mr Dunn, who was in Luxembourg with the Prime Minister, said: "I was delighted to hear her robust defence of the British way of inserting commercials.

"The Prime Minister's involvement and entry into this debate is crucial and puts the issue on a very different plane. Mrs Thatcher clearly understands that our system of inserting commercials into programmes functions very well and there is no reason to upset it."

The Prime Minister believes that European authorities should confine themselves to devising a code of practice covering standards of taste and decency rather than what she regards as meddling with programming. She favours the issue being settled in the broader forum of the 21-strong Council of Europe rather than the 12-member Common Market.

Mrs Thatcher said yesterday: "There must be certain standards they (the television companies) don't go beyond. We don't want channels going pornographic. It is that standard we are anxious about. What they tend to be doing in addition is saying when advertising can be transmitted. That's really not a matter of standards. It's not their job."

Speaking at the end of the Luxembourg leg of her trip Mrs Thatcher explained how a code of practice would work. "We seek a code of practice to the Council of Europe under which certain things would not be permitted to be shown... certain kinds of sex and violence."

Book tells how MI5 hired spy

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"We have a pile of documents six feet high painting a whole new picture of Blunt. The book asks why British intelligence did nothing about him."

Mr Costello said he found the files while seaching through archives at the Unite States Justice Department, the State Department and other Washington agencies.

Under an unwritten agreement between Britain and the United States, each side is bound not to release intelligence documents without the other's authority.

"Someone must have slipped up," said Mr Costello. "No one seems to have realized the number of MI5 files that have been declassified in Washington."

He said some of the files were withdrawn.

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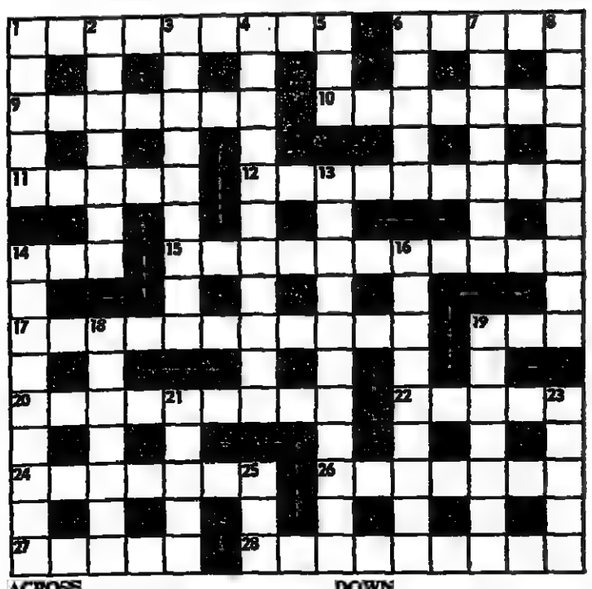


ACROSS

1 Beardless but impudent (9).
6 Tied up on the way (5).
9 Keep an eye on the bishop's position (7).
10 Window-cleaner's instant tea is outside (7).
11 The energy needed for an organized campaign (5).
12 It is not far off being a serious accident (4,5).
14 Power kept by the master (3).
15 Keeping the alimony (11).
17 Season meals for those about to dive in (11).
19 You and I would be one (3).
20 Can doctor be reinstated by agreement? (9).
22 No place for commoner members? (5).
24 Internationally supported to become independent (7).
26 Survive all but the final ball of the innings (7).
27 Rakes specially designed for river gravel (5).
28 Job appointment offered at some future time (4-5).

DOWN

1 Secondary highway in Norfolk (5).
2 Winding up drunk (7).
3 He looks for a catch if upset by Union leader (9).
4 With arms and legs well shaped and washed (5-6).
5 Mock-up for a medicine man (3).
6 Brute exhorting one to piety (5).
7 More inspired, this view of the future (7).
8 Fell out because underworld rests on a spirit of avarice (9).
13 Allurements of tart involved in court cases (11).
14 Undiscovered reason for a now hopeless crusade (4,5).
16 Bumpy land due to subsidence (9).
18 Make a thorough search for smuggled sherry (7).
19 Justify jingoism (7).
21 Command sequence (5).
23 Weekend news chief more than satisfied (5).
25 Old tallow candle means lower lights (3).

Concise crossword, page 22

WORD-WATCHING

A daily safari through the language jungle. Which of the possible definitions is correct?

GLASWEGIANA
By Philip Howard

LEERIE
a. A lighting technician
b. A lecher
c. A liar

TUMPSHIE
a. A drumbeat
b. A turnip
c. The stomach

DUNNY
a. A back passage or basement
b. Gravy browning
c. A cow

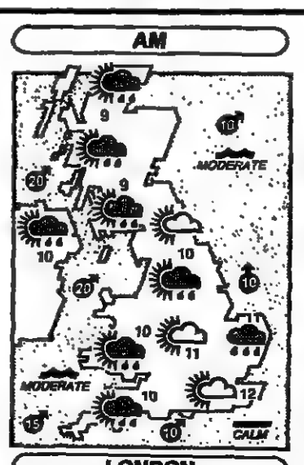
JEELY PIECE
a. An imposed truce
b. A prison cell
c. A jam sandwich

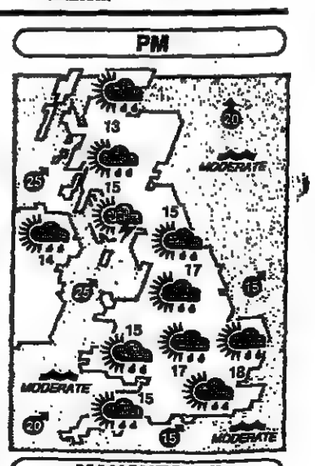
Answers on page 22, column 1

Solution to Puzzle No 17,780

WEATHER

Western areas will be breezy and showery, with some heavy rain and the chance of thunder, but also some sunny intervals. South-east England and East Anglia will be cloudy and misty with rain at times in the morning, then becoming quite sunny before showers later from the west. Other areas will have sunny spells in the morning with showers likely in the afternoon. Temperatures will be similar to yesterday. Outlook: showers or longer spells of rain. Rather cool.





ABROAD

MIDDAY: t=thunder; d=drizzle; fg=fog; s=sunny; sl=sleet; sn=snow; f=fair; c=cloudy; r=rain

	C	F			C	F	
Ajaccio	25	77	f	Madrid	24	75	s
Alex'dria	30	86	s	Malta	23	73	c
Arch'dm	15	59	c	Mexico C*	21	70	f
Athens	28	82	s	Miami*	31	88	c
Barcelona	24	75	s	Milan	21	70	f
Belgrade	21	70	s	Moscow	14	57	s
Berlin	14	57	c	Munich	13	55	c
Bermuda*	30	86	s	Naples	21	70	f
Biarritz	19	66	s	N York*	24	75	f
Brussels	14	57	f	Oslo	15	59	c
Budapest	16	61	c	Paris	16	61	s
B Aires*	25	77	s	Peking	29	84	s
Cairo	38	100	s	Prague	12	54	c
Chicago*	16	61	c	Reykjvik	7	45	r
Ch'church	18	64	s	Rhodes	27	81	s
C'ptown	17	63	f	Rio de J	25	77	s
Corfu	21	70	r	Riyadh	40	104	s
Dublin	15	59	c	Rome	24	75	s
Dubrovnik	24	75	f	Salzburg	14	57	c
Florence	24	75	s	S Frisco*	18	64	s
Frankfurt	14	57	c	Seoul	26	79	s
Geneva	17	63	c	Sing'por	31	88	f
Gibraltar	25	77	f	Stckholm	15	59	s
Helsinki	12	54	f	Strasb'rg	18	64	s
Hong K	29	84	f	Sydney	18	64	s
Innsbruck	18	64	s	Tangier	28	82	s
Istanbul	24	75	s	Tel Aviv	34	93	s
Jo'burg*	24	75	s	Tokyo	26	79	f
Karachi	39	102	s	Venice	20	68	f
L Palmas	25	77	s	Vienna	15	59	c
Lisbon	25	77	s	Warsaw	13	55	c
Locarno	22	72	c	Wash'ton*	28	82	f
L Angeles*	17	63	c	Wel'ngtn	12	54	d
Luxembg	14	57	f	Zurich	16	61	c

* Tuesday's figures are latest available

AROUND BRITAIN

	Sun hrs	Rain in	Max C	Max F	
Scarboro	1.8	-	12	54	cloudy
Hunstanton	-	-	13	55	dull
Cromer	-	-	13	55	cloudy
Clacton	9.4	-	18	64	sunny
Southend	7.0	-	17	63	sunny
Margate	6.8	-	16	61	sunny
Brighton	5.9	-	17	63	bright
Worthing	5.9	-	17	63	bright
Bognor R	4.1	-	17	63	sunny
Southsea	0.5	-	16	61	cloudy
Sandown	-	-	16	61	fog
Shanklin	-	-	16	61	bright
Poole	1.5	-	17	63	cloudy
Swanage	0.1	-	15	59	cloudy
Weymouth	4.9	-	18	64	sunny
Exmouth	3.4	-	16	61	sunny
Torquay	2.4	-	17	63	bright
Falmouth	1.1	-	16	61	cloudy
Scilly Isles	0.4	-	16	61	dull
Newquay	2.8	-	18	64	bright
Minehead	5.6	-	15	59	sunny
Morecambe	-	-	14	57	dull
Douglas	-	-	14	57	shower
Buxton	-	-	11	52	dull
Nottingham	0.3	-	13	55	cloudy
Anglesey	0.1	-	14	57	dull
Tenby	5.3	-	16	61	sunny
Aberdeen	10.3	-	21	70	sunny
Eskdalemuir	-	-	12	54	bright
Kinloss	8.9	-	19	66	sunny
Lerwick	-	.16	12	54	fog
Stornoway	1.3	-	15	59	cloudy
Wick	2.2	-	17	63	bright

These are Tuesday's figures.

HIGH TIDES

TODAY	AM	HT	PM	HT
London Bridge	10.58	5.6	11.55	6.1
Aberdeen	11.20	3.6	11.28	3.8
Avonmouth	4.11	9.9	5.00	10.7
Belfast	6.46	3.0	9.05	3.2
Cardiff	3.56	9.3	4.45	10.0
Devonport	3.07	4.3	3.40	4.7
Dover	8.54	5.4	9.25	5.7
Falmouth	2.37	4.1	3.10	4.5
Glasgow	10.09	4.0	10.53	4.2
Harwich	8.49	3.2	9.50	3.4
Holyhead	8.18	4.6	8.34	5.0
Hull	3.39	5.8	4.39	6.2
Ilfracombe	3.29	7.1	4.05	7.7
Leith	—	—	12.40	4.7
Liverpool	6.59	7.6	9.23	8.3
Lowestoft	6.29	2.1	7.39	2.2
Margate	9.23	4.0	10.14	4.3
Milford Haven	3.44	6.3	4.18	5.9
Newquay	2.42	5.4	3.15	5.9
Oban	4.12	3.0	4.26	3.5
Penzance	2.16	4.3	2.49	4.7
Portland	4.20	1.5	4.41	1.8
Portsmouth	9.00	3.9	9.29	4.0
Shoreham	8.51	5.2	9.22	5.4
Southampton	8.59	3.8	9.08	4.0
Swansea	3.43	7.4	4.21	8.0
Tees	12.53	4.5	1.53	4.8
Wlton-on-Nze	8.54	3.4	9.50	3.7

Tide measured in metres: 1m=3.2808ft.
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THE POUND

	Bank Buys	Bank Sells
Australia $	2.24	2.12
Austria Sch	22.85	21.75
Belgium Fr	69.15	65.65
Canada $	2.12	2.01
Denmark Kr	12.46	11.86
Finland Mkk	7.73	7.33
France Fr	11.06	10.51
Germany Dm	3.253	3.093
Greece Dr	262.00	247.00
Hong Kong $	13.69	12.85
Ireland Pt	1.212	1.152
Italy Lira	2430.00	2300.00
Japan Yen	237.00	224.00
Netherlands Gld	3.68	3.49
Norway Kr	11.98	11.38
Portugal Esc	268.00	254.00
South Africa Rd	4.56	4.05
Spain Pta	216.25	205.25
Sweden Kr	11.26	10.65
Switzerland Fr	2.75	2.61
USA $	1.753	1.665
Yugoslavia Dnr	6850.00	4850.00

Rates for small denomination bank notes only as supplied by Barclays Bank PLC. Different rates apply to travellers' cheques.

Retail Price Index: 187.9 (August)

London: The *FT* Index closed up 13.9 at 1942.8.

LONDON

Yesterday: Temp: max 6am to 6pm, 17C (63F); min 6pm to 6am, 12C (54F). Humidity: 6pm, 74 per cent. Rain: 24hr to 6pm, nil. Sun: 24hr to 6pm, 0.2hr. Bar, mean sea level, 6pm, 1013.3 millibars, falling (1,000 millibars=29.53in).

MANCHESTER

Yesterday: Temp: max 6am to 6pm, 14C (58F); min 6pm to 6am, 8C (46F). Rain: 24hr to 6pm, trace. Sun: 24hr to 6pm, nil.

TOWER BRIDGE

Tower Bridge will be lifted at the following times today: 2.00pm and 4.30pm

LIGHTING-UP TIME

London 7.29 pm to 6.19 am
Bristol 7.38 pm to 6.28 am
Edinburgh 7.41 pm to 6.30 am
Manchester 7.37 pm to 6.27 am
Penzance 7.50 pm to 6.40 am

HIGHEST & LOWEST

Tuesday: Highest day temp: Aberdeen, 21C (70F); lowest day max: Buxton, Derbyshire, 11C (52F); highest rainfall: Lerwick, Shetland, 0.16in; highest sunshine: Aberdeen, 10.3hr.

Sun rises: 6.47 am — Sun sets: 6.59 pm
Moon sets: 1.33 am — Moon rises: 5.51 pm
Full Moon September 25

YESTERDAY

Temperatures at midday yesterday: c, cloud; f, fair; r, rain; s, sun.

	C	F			C	F	
Belfast	13	55	c	Guernsey	16	61	c
B'mgham	13	55	c	Inverness	14	57	c
Blackpool	13	55	c	Jersey	18	64	s
Bristol	15	59	c	London	16	61	c
Cardiff	15	59	c	M'chester	13	55	c
Edinburgh	14	57	c	Newcastle	16	61	c
Glasgow	13	55	c	R'aldsway	13	55	d

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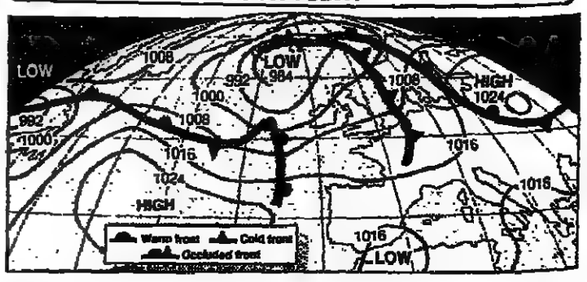

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MARKETS	THE POUND
FT 30 Share 1443.8 (+13.9)	US dollar 1.6750 (–0.0100)
FT-SE 100 1796.8 (+24.7)	W German mark 3.1398 (–0.0027)
USM (Datastream) 160.33 (+0.35)	Trade-weighted 75.3 (–0.3)

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Executive Editor
David Brewerton

Lloyds mortgage at 12.8%

Lloyds Bank is putting up its mortgage rate to 12.8 per cent from 11.5 per cent. This pitches it between the rates of the National Westminster Bank and leading building societies such as the Halifax, Abbey National and Nationwide Anglia at 12.75 per cent, and Barclays (13 per cent) and the Midland (13.2 per cent).

Monthly payments for Lloyds borrowers with a £30,000 repayment mortgage over 25 years will rise by £20.77 to £253.84.

Rise for bank

Bank of Scotland yesterday reported a sharp rise in profits for the half year to August 31 from £55.7 million to £87.1 million.

The interim dividend is 5p, up from 4.4p at the same time last year. Tempus, page 26

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MONEY

No longer do people shuffle into the pawnbroker in their carpet slippers: they march in, Filofax in hand. Family Money examines the modern pawnbroker. Family Money has interviewed Britain's first Professor of Personal Finance. We explain the likely impact of mortgage rate rises on house prices, and ask, is it cheaper to live on a boat? All in Money, in *The Times*, this Saturday.

STOCK MARKETS

New York	
Dow Jones	2092.46 (+4.98)*
Tokyo	
Nikkei Average	27712.66 (+184.08)
Hong Kong:	
Hang Seng	2433.00 (+8.77)
Amsterdam: Gen	270.9 (+2.2)
Sydney: AO	1542.9 (–2.7)
Frankfurt:	
Commerzbank	1578.4 (+17.7)
Brussels:	
General	5315.1 (+104.4)
Paris: CAC	366.6 (+1.9)
Zurich: SKA Gen	474.2 (+4.4)
London:	
FT–A All-Share	929.50 (+10.93)
FT–"500"	1012.12 (+10.22)
FT. Gold Mines	165.2 (–3.0)
FT. Fixed interest	96.00 (+0.33)
FT. Govt Secs	87.01 (–0.06)
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MAIN PRICE CHANGES

RISES:	
RMC Group	466½p (+15p)
Redland	414p (+16p)
Barratt Devs	179p (+13p)
Standard Chart	566p (+26p)
English China	478½p (+13p)
Blagden	192½p (+14p)
Pearson	739p (+23p)
Rank Org	673½p (+21p)
Johnson Matthey	344p (+21p)
Charter Cons	362½p (+45p)
Lucas	572p (+23p)
A Kershaw	450p (+18p)
Priest Marians	393½p (+17p)
Wellcome	498½p (+17p)
Lonrho	307½p (+17½p)
FALLS:	
Laporte	396p (–15p)
J Menzies	286½p (–16p)
Union Discount	500p (–10p)
Cater Allen	320p (–13p)
Schroders	900p (–25p)
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INTEREST RATES

London: Bank Base: 12%
3-month Interbank 12⅞-12%
3-month eligible bills: 11 27/32-11⅝% buying rate
US: Prime Rate 10%
Federal Funds 8⅜%*
3-month Treasury Bills 7.17-7.15%*
30-year bonds 101⅞-101 3/16*

CURRENCIES

London:	New York:
£: $1.6750	£: $1.6752*
£: DM3.1398	$: DM1.8747*
£: SwFr2.6499	$: SwFr1.5835*
£: FFr10.6631	$: FFr6.3700*
£: Yen224.79	$: Yen134.27*
£: Index:75.3	$: Index:99.5
ECU £0.659993	SDR £0.771294

GOLD

London Fixing:
AM $401.60 pm-$400.85
close $401.00-401.50 (£239.25-239.75)
New York:
Comex $400.10-400.60*

NORTH SEA OIL

Brent (Oct) pm $13.35bbl ($13.32)
* Denotes latest trading price

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Agnew rejects 'ludicrous' Minorco offer as shares soar to £14

£2.9bn battle for ConsGold

By Colin Campbell

Minorco, the Luxembourg investment company controlled by the Oppenheimer-founded Anglo American-De Beers group, yesterday launched a hostile £2.9 billion bid for Consolidated Gold Fields Group — the biggest contested offer in British corporate history.

Mr Rudolph Agnew, the ConsGold chairman, who was told of the Minorco approach by Mr Julian Ogilvie Thompson, chairman of Minorco and De Beers, three minutes before the 8am London announcement, rejected the bid — valuing each ConsGold share at £13.06 — as "ludicrous."

ConsGold held telephone conferences with its overseas directors and a London meeting with all board members (with the exception of the two Anglo-De Beers representatives), who all rejected the Minorco approach.

'It will be strongly resisted. We believe that increased ownership by Minorco . . . would be very damaging to Gold Fields' UK and worldwide business and prejudicial to the interests of shareholders and employees."

He gave warnings of "political minefields ahead."

The bid — one Minorco share plus £19 cash for every two shares in ConsGold — is spearheaded by Sir Michael Edwardes, the former British Leyland chief, who joined Minorco's board in 1984 and was yesterday elevated to deputy chairman and chief executive.

Minorco already holds a 28.94 per cent stake in ConsGold, a holding which was transferred to it on February 27, 1981, by Anglo American and De Beers, which on February 12 a year earlier pounced on ConsGold in a dawn raid.

ConsGold shares vaulted from £10.78 to £13.88, rising to £14 in late trading. Although ConsGold has long been regarded as a takeover target, with Minorco as the favourite candidate, Minorco has clearly been embarrassed by heavy trading in ConsGold options and shares.

Sir Michael said the bid marked a new phase in Minorco's life and direction and would turn the group from being merely a passive, dull and boring group with an investment trust image into one ready to take on global opportunities in the world of natural resources. Minorco had considered the bid for at least two years.

Mr Agnew admitted for the first time yesterday that in 1986, ConsGold had examined the logic of combining Minorco and ConsGold.

"We concluded that it made no financial or logical sense. We warned them (Minorco) of the political dangers, and the lack of commercial logic.

"I do not feel I have been stabbed in the back, despite assurances in 1980 — subsequently re-iterated — that Minorco would not bid for ConsGold. But they have been putting pressure on us in various forms for the last four years (to merge)," he added.

Sir Michael detailed Minorco's plans, if successful, for Minorco to sell off ConsGold's South African investments and to review ConsGold's 49.3 per cent holding in the North American gold mining company, Newmont Mining Corporation.

Minorco has no South African assets or investments. If the bid succeeds, the Anglo American-De Beers stake will fall from 60 to 40 cent — a move welcomed by Anglo and De Beers. In addition, there would be an Oppenheimer family holding — 7 per cent at present — of a maximum 4.5 per cent.

Anglo and De Beers have said they will "not seek to play any role in the day-to-day affairs of Minorco." On this assurance Sir Michael agreed to assume his new role.

Under the new guise of one of the largest worldwide natural resources groups, with total assets of $5 billion (£3 billion), companies in which Minorco was a "passive" investor and those not yielding a satisfactory return would be "critically reviewed . . . dispassionately, and uninhibited by historic attitudes and decisions."

Sir Michael declined to specify which Minorco holdings may be put up for sale. But Charter Consolidated, where it holds 36 per cent, yesterday rose from 348p to 392½p. Minorco's other investments include Engelhard Corporation (30.5 per cent), Inspiration Resources (56.2 per cent) and Adobe Resources Corporation (48.3 per cent).

On Monday, Minorco disclosed that at June 30 it had net cash balances of $890 million, and net assets of $3.1 billion.

Mr Agnew yesterday charged that the bid "made by a Luxembourg shell which was a front for South Africa" was a "simple and naked asset stripping operation."

Sir Michael has denied the charge.

It has also been suggested that the Minorco move is, in effect, a game-plan merely to establish a fresh base in Britain for the new generation Oppenheimer dynasty.

Minorco said it had at 11am yesterday asked for a Stock Exchange inquiry into ConsGold share price movements. The extent of the inquiry will be determined by the Stock Exchange, but Minorco said the recent heavy trading "had done us no good." Minorco shares rose from 725p to 772p.

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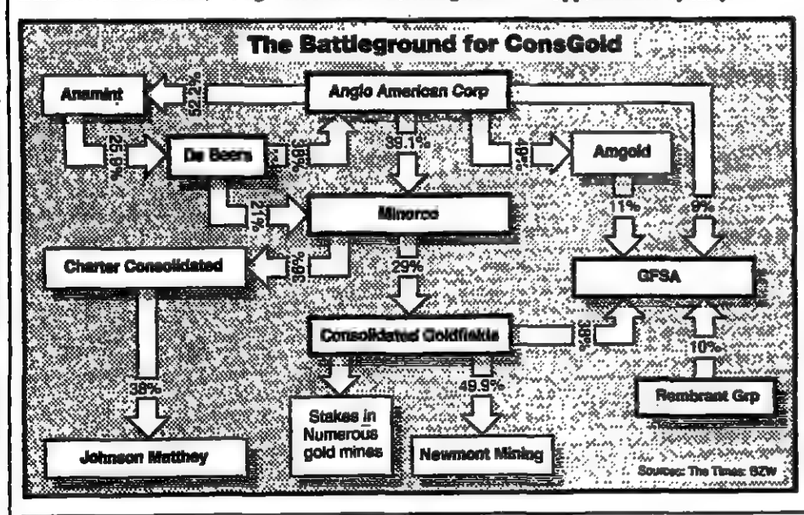

Pointing to a new phase in Minorco's life and direction: Sir Michael Edwardes yesterday (Photograph: Denzil McNeelance)

The master of conflict steps in

By Our City Staff

The diminutive figure of Sir Michael Edwardes is no stranger to corporate conflict. At British Leyland it was internal, as he struggled to free the lumbering motor giant from the stranglehold of militant shop stewards and propel it towards a viable future.

At ICL, once Britain's great hope in the mainframe computer industry, and at Dunlop it was external, with both companies eventually falling to takeover offers.

It was fitting that Minorco should elevate Sir Michael, 57, to the chief executive's hot-seat after four apparently peaceful years at the board table on the very day of the bid for ConsGold. If Britain's biggest mining finance has its way, the battle for ConsGold will be every bit as bloody as the conflict with Red Robbo and his cohorts of BL union activists.

Appropriately enough, given Minorco's pedigree, Sir Michael's business career started in South Africa where, after graduating with a law degree at Rhodes University, Grahamstown, he eventually made his mark as a tough and commercially-sharp manager in the Chloride batteries group. He later came to work for Chloride in Britain and became chairman in the mid-1970's.

In the book he wrote on his BL days, Sir Michael makes it clear that he was appalled by the industrial anarchy there and that the power struggle with the unions was a must. He isolated the ring leaders and 87 per cent of voting workers backed his reorganisation plan. He may find ConsGold and its shareholders just as difficult to overcome.

'Rich boy' who had to start at the bottom

Mr Rudolph Agnew's roots with Consolidated Gold Fields, the British natural resource company founded 101 years ago, go back well before 1957 when he joined as a management trainee.

Between 1932 and 1939, his grandfather (who died when Mr Agnew was five) was a chairman of ConsGold, "and when I joined the group, the management assumed that, because of my grandfather, I was so rich that I should be paid £100 less than every other management trainee.

"I was not rich at all," said the man who rose from his start in the share register department to become the chief executive in 1978 and the ConsGold chairman in 1983.

Rudolph Ion Joseph Agnew was born on March 12, 1934, and was educated at Downside. He served in the King's Royal Irish Hussars from 1953 to 1957, and at annual meetings leans heavily on his half-Irish connection to disarm shareholders with light-hearted quips.

He has worked variously throughout the ConsGold group, moving through the quarrying and concrete industries to head the ARC stone crushing subsidiary in 1976, before being appointed deputy chairman of ConsGold and chief executive in September, 1978.

His directorships include those of Anglo American Corporation and Standard Chartered. His personal interests are horse racing and shooting.

Rudolph Agnew: Light-hearted quips for shareholders from the grandson of a former ConsGold chairman

Kleinwort Benson in £11m drop

By Richard Thomson
Banking Correspondent

Kleinwort Benson has announced a £11.2 million drop in disclosed pre-tax profits for the half-year to June 30, to £26.7 million, which was well below City expectations.

The profits fall, from £37.9 million at the half-way stage last year, was the result of a lower return from the group's own investments in the equity market.

Profits were also depressed by a jump in interest costs on loan capital from £7.9 million to £13.4 million, reflecting the increase in loan capital last year and the rise in interest rates.

Mr David Peake, the chairman, said although the result was disappointing it was partially offset by a substantial improvement in the group's operating profits. Banking operations had performed strongly, while the securities division achieved a small profit compared with a £7.5 million loss in the first half of 1987.

The improved operating performance in key divisions showed the bank was succeeding in integrating its different businesses into a coherent group, Mr Peake added.

Both treasury and corporate finance divisions, however, had suffered small declines in profitability as a result of poor market conditions. The fund management business showed a fall in profits from £3.8 million to £895,000.

The group is maintaining the interim dividend at 5.3p and offering shareholders the option of a scrip dividend.

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Current deficit equivalent to more than 3% of GDP

By David Smith, Economics Correspondent

Britain's current account deficit was equivalent to more than 3 per cent of gross domestic product in the second quarter of this year, new official figures show.

This was before the sharp deterioration in the current account position, shown up in the July trade figures.

Second-quarter gross domestic product (GDP) figures issued by the Central Statistical Office also show that there has been an increase in underlying inflation in Britain which is well in excess of the effects of higher mortgage rates.

The deterioration in Britain's trade position was underlined by the fact that, while total domestic expenditure rose by 5.6 per cent in the second quarter compared with a year earlier, the expenditure measure of GDP increased by only 2.5 per cent, with the difference due to the deterioration in trade.

Overall, the GDP data showed a rise, on the average measure, of 4 per cent compared with a year earlier, against a 4.5 per cent growth rate in the first quarter.

The second-quarter data are based on 1985 GDP weights and include an upward revision from 0.7 to 1.6 per cent in the quarterly GDP rise for the first three months of the year.

The quarterly increase in the March-June period fell to 0.5 per cent. But officials said there was no indication of a slowdown in growth in the figures.

Output data — the best indicator of short-term movements in the economy — rose a strong 1.1 per cent in the second quarter.

Inflation, as measured by the GDP deflator, was 5.5 per cent in the second quarter, compared with 5.4 per cent in the first quarter.

The figures suggest that underlying inflation in the economy has moved into the 5 to 6 per cent range.

This compares with about 4 per cent in the first half of last year.

Barratt Developments profits surge to £61.5m

Sir Lawrie to move aside

By Wolfgang Münchau

Sir Lawrie Barratt, founder of Barratt Developments, the third biggest housebuilder in Britain, is finally relinquishing control of the business he has led for 30 years. He will resign as chairman and chief executive at the end of the year, when he will be succeeded by Mr John Swanson, the current managing director.

Sir Lawrie, aged 60, is to become life president of the company, but is expected to become more involved with housing and inner-city charities or take up public office.

Despite the news of Sir Lawrie's impending retirement, the shares rose by 13p to 179p yesterday following the announcement of a 57 per cent rise in pre-tax profits to £61.5 million for the year ended June.

Sir Lawrie said: "Five years ago, we embarked upon a major restructure of the group to restore the former high levels of profitability and pre-tax margins which had been achieved for so many years. This has been accomplished." Pre-interest margins now stand at 12 per cent.

In the early 1980s the company, which then had record sales of 16,000 units, ran into difficulties over its timber-framed construction method. Last year sales were up to 7,000 houses against 6,800 the year before, at an average price of £55,400, up 24 per cent, mainly as a result of the property boom.

Sir Lawrie said that the leisure division, which includes time-sharing, incurred a loss following adverse press comment, but was restored to profitability following a strategic review. During the first half the division lost £1.5 million.

Profits were also boosted by the sale of a number of commercial properties for £28 million at a total profit of £7.2 million.

Earnings per share rose to 23.5p from 15.2p and the final dividend is raised to 8.37p per share, making a total of 11.16p, a 25 per cent increase.

BANK OF SCOTLAND

INTERIM RESULTS

	6 months ended 31 Aug.'88	6 months ended 31 Aug.'87	Year ended 29 Feb.'88
Group operating profit	£86.4m	£77.9m	£157.9m
Pre-tax profit	£87.1m	£55.7m*	£131.3m*
Retained profit	£45.4m	£26.0m	£58.6m
Earnings per £1 Capital Stock	29.3p	18.3p†	43.5p†
Dividend per £1 Capital Stock	5.0p	4.4p†	12.6p†
Advances	£9544.9m	£7348.2m	£8240.9m
Capital Resources	£1098.5m	£872.3m	£1032.7m

*After exceptional specific provisions for sovereign debts.
†Adjusted for Capitalisation Issue.

Group Operating Profit up by 11%

Pre-tax profit increased by 56%

Earnings improved by 60% to 29.3 pence per £1 Capital Stock

Interim Dividend increased by 13.6% net to 5 pence per £1 Capital Stock

Lending grew to £9.5 billion and Total Assets to £12.4 billion

Gearing Ratio (Free Capital) is 7.3% compared with 7.8% at 29th February 1988

Equity to Assets Ratio is a healthy 5.6%

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TEMPUS

Kleinwort Benson confuses City with £11m fall

Kleinwort Benson's interim results are down — but in one sense they are better than they might have been. Merchant banks, with their opaque accounting procedures, are still allowed to produce results like this. Merchant bank investors, a strange breed, are equally still willing to accept such contradictory information.

With interim pre-tax profits down £11 million, one might have expected gloom at Fenchurch Street. If there was, it did not show. The fall came from "group investments" — which in this case means capital invested in equities, of all things. One might imagine a merchant bank would know better than to lose its own money in the stock market.

Whether the shortfall was a loss or merely a fall in profits on equity investment is not clear since it came as a surprise to many that Kleinwort's profits were so reliant on this source. At any rate, such investment acumen might give some of Kleinwort's growing list of fund management clients pause for thought.

Indeed, assuming the group makes about £55 million to £60 million for the full year, its return on capital will be a mere 6 per cent. The subscribers to last year's rights issue can hardly be happy with that. It could have done better investing in bank deposits, which may be its policy in future.

Coming not long after Morgan Grenfell's disappointing half-year results, Kleinwort's figures only emphasize the volatility of merchant bank profits — something investors have long suspected but which secretive accounting rules have kept fairly well hidden.

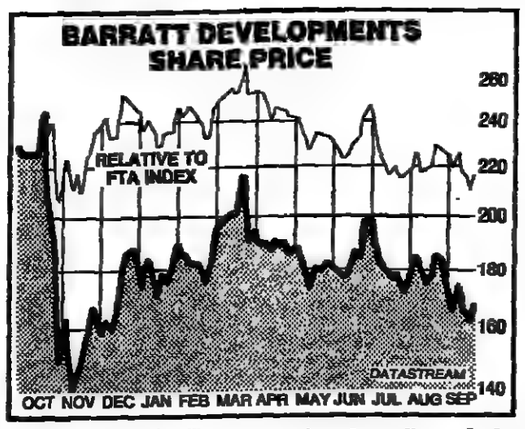
Although its disclosed pre-tax profit is down, Kleinwort insists its operating profit in several crucial areas is up. Banking grew strongly, and securities has at last pulled itself into the black — just — from the £7.5 million loss last time. This may be evidence that the group has overcome its post-Big Bang blues, but it is still too soon to say.

The prospective p/e of 13 looks way above the group's peers. Whether this will still be the case after the other merchant banks have reported is also a matter for speculation.

Barratt

Barratt Developments used to be Britain's largest housebuilder. But having fallen to the number three position, behind Tarmac and Wimpey, it nevertheless remained one of the smartest. Barratt's troublesome past, mainly a result of a downmarket concentration on timber-frame housing, culminated in the collapse of profits in 1985. However, yesterday's announcement of a 57 per cent surge in pre-tax profits to £61.5 million took even the most optimistic market observers by surprise.

Its once 70/30 split of sales in favour of first-time buyers has now reversed, representing a distinctly upmarket move. Pre-interest margins have returned to a respectable 12 per cent, which is still lower than the 20 per cent achieved by Tarmac and certain others.



Barratt could get away with a market slowdown. There appears to be a strategic sales shift to the provinces in the South-east and the company's relative short land stock in the region — 18 months compared to a national average of three years — is helpful and suggests a shrewd reading of the market.

Mr Jonathan Timms, of Charterhouse Tilney, says the shares, up 13p to 179p yesterday, are a one-way bet. He has upgraded his current year forecast from £75 million pre-tax to well over £80 million.

Some of the figures support this optimism. Year-end gearing was at a modest 16 per cent; the yield, ex-dividend, is about 9 per cent. The shares trade at less than six times earnings, and the dividend growth, up 25 per cent to 14.9p per share last year, is forecast to stay at this level.

Most important must be the company's position as the number one takeover candidate in this highly fragmented sector. In particular, Far Eastern building companies are rumoured to be keen on entering the booming British housing market in the run-up to 1992. With Barratt's market capitalization currently at under £300 million, an acquisition may be one of the cheapest ways into the market.

Bank of Scotland

Bank of Scotland continues to move serenely forward apparently unaffected by the bumps and pitfalls that other British banks periodically encounter. The current set of interim results only confirms the bank as one of the quality stocks in the sector.

The company has been piling on assets over the six-month period, mainly through its mortgage book which grew from £1.3 billion to £1.8 billion. Lending in other areas also increased though not at quite such a breakneck pace. Overall assets have grown by about 30 per cent compared with 22 per cent over the same period last year.

At the same time, costs have been rising rapidly in relation to lending, though this is not a matter of serious concern. There is bound to be a lag between making loans and receiving any profit from them. There is also the lag on mortgage lending when interest rates rose rapidly during the summer while mortgage rates responded some time later.

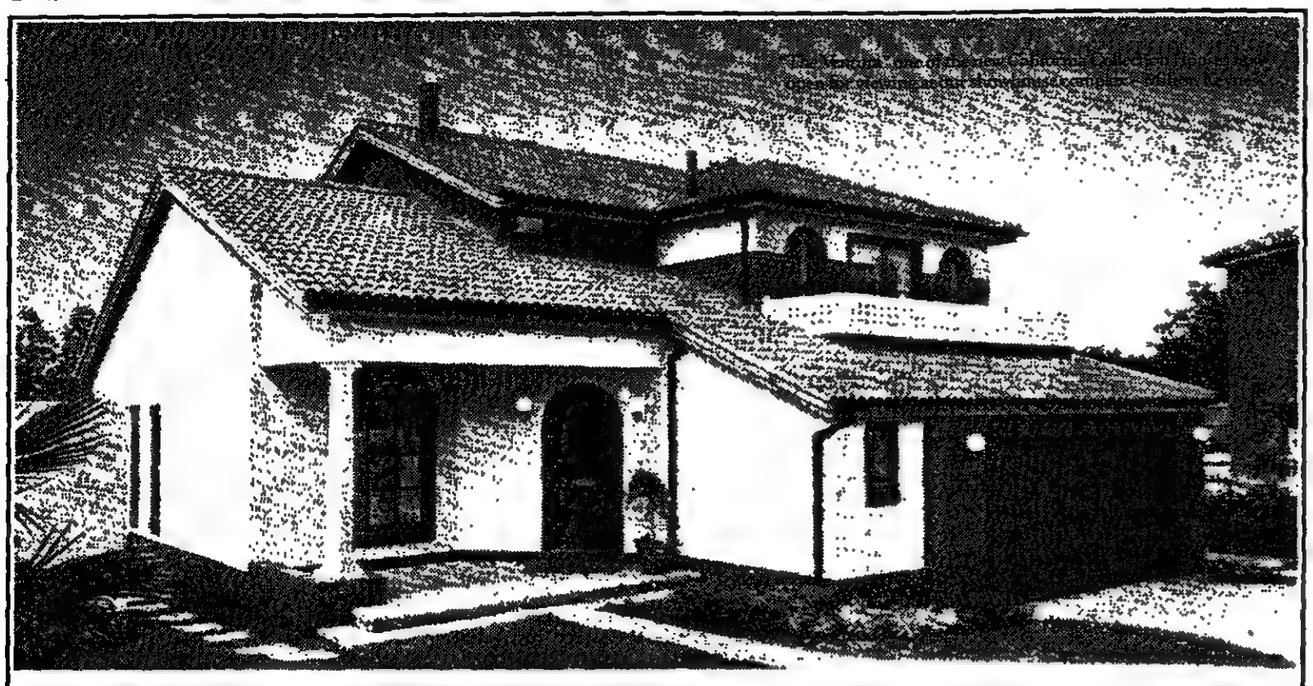
The second half of the year should therefore see a dual and opposite effect to the first half. Lending will slow down — particularly on the home loans side as the housing market cools off. This will give earnings a breathing space in which to catch up lending.

The bank has also taken the opportunity to raise its provisions again, with Third World debt provisions now the highest of the British clearers at 35 per cent.

Otherwise, the figures show more of the same successful formula. The electronic banking services also appears to be finally paying its way with a sharp increase in interest-bearing deposits. Associated company profits have risen strongly, up from £1.6 million to £4.3 million.

British Linen Bank, the merchant banking subsidiary, has also performed handsomely, more than doubling its profits to £8.7 million. Although £3 million of this comes from a one-off lease termination, the growth is still healthy.

Although the yield on Bank of Scotland shares is below that of the English clearers with a prospective p/e ratio of 5.9, above the other banks, the quality still makes them attractive.



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East Midlands board in £120m power venture

By David Young, Energy Correspondent

The East Midlands Electricity Board is to become the first of the 12 area electricity boards lined up for privatization to build its own power station, to meet the growing demand from its customers in the Corby-Kettering and Northampton areas.

It is to build a £120 million gas-fired power station in Corby in partnership with Hawker Siddeley Power Engineering.

It has submitted a planning application for the station, which will be built on a 15-acre site and could be feeding power into the board's low-voltage grid system in late 1991.

The East Midlands board, which, with the adjoining Eastern board, is considered to be the best prepared to take advantage of the opportunities presented by privatization, is also planning a coal-fired station in the Nottingham area in partnership with British Coal.

The power station planned at Corby will produce 350 megawatts of power from the state-of-the-art gas turbine plant, burning natural gas from the British Gas grid system.

It will use a combined cycle system which will produce electricity from the gas turbine and then use steam produced from the turbine waste heat to drive a steam turbine, generating increased power. The station will produce clean emissions.

Similar stations are likely to be built by Eastern Electricity to meet the growing demand for power from the Peterborough and north Bedfordshire areas, and Hawker Siddeley Power is also likely to be involved in those projects.

Mr Phil Camp, the East Midlands board's director of corporate services, said the Corby project was an example of the competition in power generation which privatization would bring.

He said: "Competition is very welcome. It will provide downward pressure on electricity prices."

Hawker Siddeley Power Engineering, based in Leicester, is one of the Eastern board's largest industrial power consumers.

Mr Bran Page, its managing director, said: "The Corby scheme provides an excellent opportunity for the UK to benefit from our extensive track record in similar private power plants in the United States."

Consumer switch lifts Stag

By Martin Waller

House proud: William Evans (left) and Patrick Radford

Stag furniture has put a 56 per cent rise in pre-tax profits to £1.01 million in the six months to end-June down to a switch in consumer spending from hi-fis and microwaves to home improvement.

The interim dividend is raised to 2.5p from 1.75p, as forecast at the year-end, to reduce the disparity with the final payment, said Mr Patrick Radford, the chairman.

Mr Alan Parkes, the finance director, added that the group was relatively unconcerned at the recent rise in interest rates. "Our record order books are sufficiently long, covering nine months to a year, to cushion us against any reduction in consumer spending."

Earlier this month, Stag announced the purchase of a factory in Cramlington, Northumberland, to concentrate on pine products for Marks and Spencer. Mr William Evans, the managing director, said first deliveries from the plant are due next spring.

The profits growth was entirely organic, said Mr Parkes. Turnover rose from £16.51 million to £19.85 million.

BZW still seeks Tokyo seat

From Joe Joseph, Tokyo

Barclays de Zoete Wedd, the broker, has no plans to buy a Japanese securities firm to gain backdoor entry to the Tokyo Stock Exchange, according to Mr Peter Leslie, vice-chairman of Barclays Bank.

But Mr Leslie, speaking in Tokyo yesterday, said he had not given up on membership for his bank's stockbroking subsidiary and hoped it would be achieved soon.

BZW has been knocking on Tokyo's door ever since it failed to establish a foothold on the Japanese exchange when Tokyo expanded its membership last autumn.

With James Capel, the broker, also seeking admittance, the issue of access by British brokers to a seat on the Tokyo floor has been a focus of dispute between British and Japanese officials for some time.

● Lord Camoys, BZW's vice-chairman, who is with Mr Leslie on his visit to Japan, said Japanese banks already operating in the European Community should be given licences to open branches anywhere in the Common Market after the EEC's financial markets are integrated in 1992.

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Goward stake lifts Corah shares despite £7m losses

By John Bell, City Editor

Mr Russell Goward, the Australian takeover specialist, raised his shareholding in Corah as the textiles group unveiled half-year losses of £7 million after significant restructuring.

Charterhall, the investment company controlled by Mr Goward's Westmex Group, said it now owned just over 6 million Corah shares, taking its stake to 17.22 per cent.

The market scents a bid battle in the offing and Corah shares gained a further 1p to 75p, despite the grim losses. The shares have climbed more than 36 per cent from their post-crash low of 55p.

Mr Goward has revamped Charterhall and since the acquisition of the Allebone group, is concentrating on retail operations, especially in shoes. Charterhall has a number of takeover targets in its sights.

It owns stakes in five quoted companies, ranging between 9 and 24 per cent. The largest of these is the holding in the Glasgow retailer, A Goldberg. And last week, Charterhall said it planned to raise £9 million through a one-for-five rights issue to reduce borrowings and fund further takeovers.

Corah's losses arise from the emergency measures instituted by Mr John Foulkes, the chief executive, who was called in last February. Since then, his axe has bitten deeply into Corah's unprofitable operations.

After a review undertaken with PA Management Services, the consultant, and Coopers & Lybrand, the accountant, Mr Foulkes closed or sold a number of its operations, reducing borrowings by £5 million.

Mr Foulkes says he has established the new shape of the business. It will concentrate on core activities of knitted fabric, underwear and outerwear. But some non-core operations may still be sold.

Each sector of the business has been divisionalized and the headquarters reduced in size. When the reshaping is complete, the group will employ about 3,300 people, against 5,400 at the beginning of the year.

Trading suffered during the reconstruction process, especially in the second quarter. Losses amounted to £106,000 at the trading level. Further strong action has been undertaken to cut stocks and borrowings, in the shape of a £2.1 million write-down in the value of stocks. This produced a £2.208 million loss at the pre-tax level. More than £4.8 million in closure and disposal costs taken below the line led to a £7 million loss attributable to shareholders.

Mr Foulkes says shareholders cannot expect a dividend this year, but the group should trade profitably in the second half.

£1bn of bad debt 'is not claimed'

By Our City Staff

Bad debts worth up to £1 billion a year remain unclaimed because of slack credit controls at many British companies which make no recovery attempts, according to a leading company liquidator.

Mr Christopher Morris of Touche Ross, the accountant, who carried out a survey on the issue, yesterday said there was a "couldn't-care-less attitude of simple ignorance" on the part of creditors of companies which have gone into liquidation. They could be putting at risk hundreds of millions of pounds of British business money.

He said that last year 14,000 British companies went into administrative receivership or insolvent liquidation, leaving millions of pounds of unpaid bills – many of which remained unpaid because creditors failed to use the legal procedures available.

The survey showed that as many as 85 per cent of creditors are effectively disenfranchised as they take no interest in chasing their debts.

When sent proxy forms following the failure of a company "they simply turn their backs or do not understand how to exercise their rights on the debt," the survey claims.

Mr Morris said: "Often they leave the control of their debt in the hands of somebody, maybe the chairman of the insolvent company, who brought the business to its knees in the first place."

Saying that credit control is "dreadfully slack" in many companies, he added: "As many as 70 per cent of creditors fail to return proxy forms at all and have no representation, and 15 per cent, by voting for the chairman, probably make a totally wrong judgement on who should represent them. Together, these proxies are valued in debt terms at around £1 billion a year. It really is astonishing."

Mr Morris, who was appointed liquidator of Laker Airways when it crashed six years ago, said he was still receiving requests for payment of bills from companies which appeared to be unaware that the airline is in liquidation.

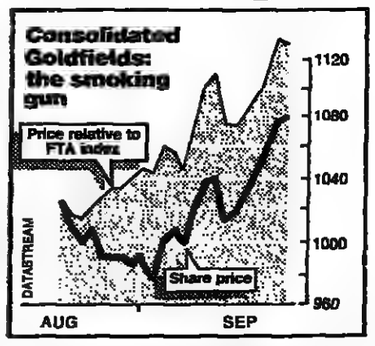
Launching a new book, *Creditors' Rights in Insolvency*, Touche Ross said that any creditor owed a material amount should have his interests looked after by professional insolvency specialists.

COMMENT David Brewerton

Too many Jacks ride ConsGold bandwagon

A new generation of the Oppenheimer dynasty is emerging, building its third empire, outside South Africa.

The cornerstone of the new empire is Minorco, the Bermuda-based group, which is 60 per cent owned by the Anglo American Group and its first cousin De Beers. But the major building block – identified (on his first day in the job) by Minorco's chief executive Sir Michael Edwardes, a South African – is to be Consolidated Gold Fields, in which Minorco already has 29 per cent as a result of a dawn raid in 1980.



The bid was one of the City's worst kept secrets: in fact, it was hardly secret at all. As the share price chart demonstrates, Consolidated Gold Fields shares have been outperforming the share market, when the gold price should have been sending opposite signals. Brokers have been tipping the shares for take-over and options business has been frantic. The Stock Exchange is already instituting enquiries, but there were so many people aboard that particular bandwagon that it will be hard to show that anyone was an insider. The leak is shameful, and Sir Michael should be asked – and ask – some harsh questions.

The offer itself is not generous, and Rudolf Agnew will defend Consolidated Gold Fields with the ample ammunition at his elbow. South African ownership would damage the company, which is in any case due to be dismembered if Minorco gains control. Mr Agnew can point to inconsistencies in the Minorco front, but above all should be able to demonstrate an asset value far in excess of the bid.

But that does not mean he will maintain the group's independence. The investors who were robbed of millions by others insider dealing on the leak have allowed all manner of South African and Australian jack-the-lads to move in. There could be as much as another 30 per cent of the Consolidated Gold Fields in hands which, given a sweetener on the price, would be prepared to pass their shares to Minorco: added to Minorco's existing 29 per cent, more than enough to change control.

Swiss and Bermudan interests, as well as the inevitable South African arbs, are believed to have built up blocks of Consolidated Gold Fields, and perhaps that will tell the Stock Exchange where to start looking for the insiders.

Sir Peter and the KIO wolf

The Kuwait Investment Office's insistence that it has no intention of using its 23 per cent shareholding in BP to interfere with the management decisions taken in the rooms near the top of Britannic House – assurances which it has offered to put into a legally enforceable covenant – is in itself having an effect on one of the most important decisions facing the BP board: When will chairman Sir Peter Walters' successor be named and who will it be.

Sir Peter Walters and his senior managers have taken the intrusion of the KIO on to the register personally, and are working on the moves to be made once the Monopolies and Mergers Commission recommendation is known. A ruling that the KIO should dispose of a large tranche of its holding, in an orderly way which will keep the shock waves in the investment community to a mimimum, can be dealt with. BP appears to have already convinced several large Japanese institutions of the worth of being long-term investors.

However, a decision by Lord Young of Graffham, the Secretary of State for Trade and Industry, to allow Kuwait to continue holding shares at its present level would be harder for BP to handle. Sir Peter Walters may interpret such a ruling as a resignation issue. On the other hand, he is one of the doughtiest fighters in the oil business, and there are many of his colleagues who feel that he would more likely extend his period of office to finally kill the KIO wolf.

The fact that such issues are having to be discussed and speculation continues that Mr Robert Horton, recently returned from the United States after successfully integrating Standard Oil into the BP fold, could step in as chairman and truthfully claim that as he was abroad at the time he has no emotional involvement in the KIO issue, shows that a shareholder of such a size cannot but interfere in.

Lord Young is expected to make his ruling shortly and he is no doubt aware the British business community as a whole, and Britain's largest company in particular, cannot afford to lose a man of Sir Peter Walters' ability because of such an issue, even if he can quickly be replaced by men of the calibre of Mr Horton or his co-managing director, Mr David Simon.

Alexander Proudfoot advances to £14.3m

Alexander Proudfoot, the management services group headed by Lord Stevens, goes from strength to strength. The group, a heavily revamped version of City & Foreign, the investment trust, reported half-time profits of £14.3 million, up from £0.8 million.

Lord Stevens said the results, which cover the first full reporting period since the Proudfoot management consultancy was acquired, showed a very satisfactory rise in earnings per share from 6.13p to 13.86p.

Shareholders, who received a single dividend of 2.92p last year, are being paid 2p in respect of the first half

Oliver's offer

Oliver Resources, the Irish mineral group, has made a seven-for-two share offer, valued at £9.4 million, for North West Exploration, which has gypsum mining interests in County Cavan. North West said its initial advice was to take no action on the merger offer. The bid sent North West shares to 58p from 44p.

Dixon post

Mr Kenneth Dixon, chairman of Rowntree, which was taken over by Nestlé after a takeover battle earlier this year, has joined the board of Bass the brewer as a non-executive director.

Property sale

Wyndham Group, the property and investment company, is selling several properties on the Parkwood Industrial Estate at Maidstone, Kent, for £1 million to the National Provincial Building Society pension fund trustees.

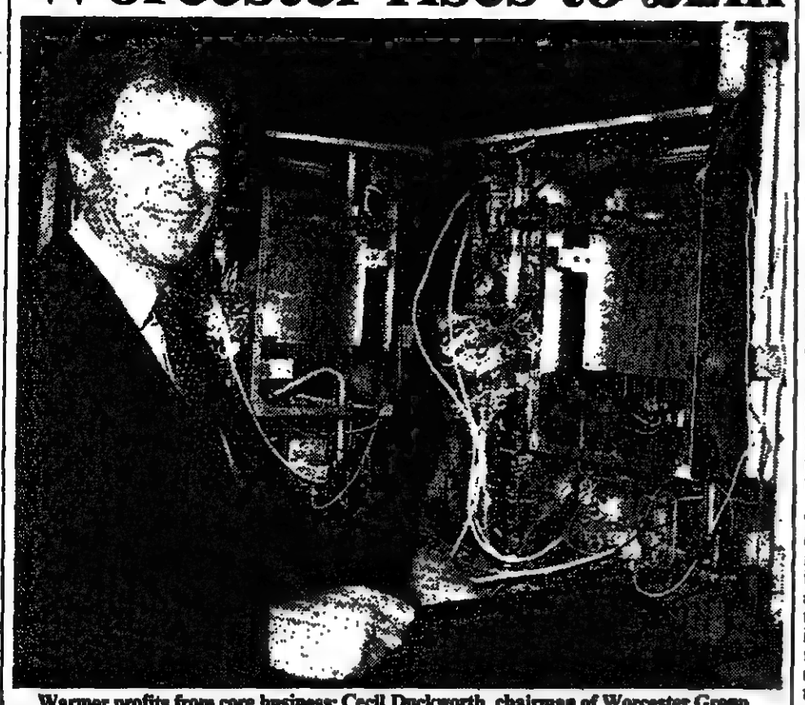
Finlay buys

Finlay, the Belfast packaging company, is paying £2.7 million for Olympic, a Stockport manufacturer of laminated board, which is expecting to make pre-tax profits of not less than £325,000 for the current year.

Laporte soars

Laporte Industries' half-year after-tax profits climbed from £22.4 million last year to £31.6 million. Pre-tax profits rose from £34 million last year to £50.6 million.

Worcester rises to £2m



Warmer profits from core business: Cecil Duckworth, chairman of Worcester Group

A first interim report from Worcester Group, the central heating boiler maker, since its début on the main market last October, shows pre-tax profits up from £1.20 million to £2.04 million in the six months to June 30.

The advance was entirely organic and came from the core business, Worcester Heat Systems.

This provides mains-fed boilers that eliminate the need for hot and cold water storage tanks, where sales grew by 70 per cent during the first half.

Mr Cecil Duckworth, the Worcester chairman, said that although the company continued to look at potential acquisitions, these were not needed to sustain the growth in earnings per share, which rose from 3.74p to 5.8p

The interim dividend is increased from 0.66p to 0.92p.

Sun Life chief likely to join Burton as Halpern's adviser

By Graham Searjeant

Mr Peter Grant, chairman of Sun Life and former deputy-chairman of the merchant bank Lazard, is likely to join the board of Burton Group as a non-executive adviser to Sir Ralph Halpern.

But he will not replace the controversial Sir Ralph as chairman of the £1 billion retail group. Mr Grant dismissed City speculation, ahead of next week's annual shareholders' meeting, that he would be brought onto the board at the behest of unhappy institutional shareholders as an eventual figurehead replacement for Sir Ralph.

He stressed yesterday that he did not want to be chairman or deputy chairman. He said that if he was asked, he would only agree to join the board if Sir Ralph remained in his present dual role as chairman and chief executive.

Mr Grant said: "I would be quite the wrong person to head such a large trading group." He said that as a career merchant banker, his natural role was as an adviser. He said Sir Ralph, as a great merchandiser, was the right person to lead Burton.

In a formal response to the speculation, Burton said: "The chairman of Burton Group, Sir Ralph Halpern, is looking for a new non-executive director. Peter Grant is one of a number of candidates who are being considered."

Lord Goodman, Sir Ralph's solicitor and a mutual friend, consulted Mr Grant after the Burton share price suffered from a combination of the Department of Trade inquiry under Section 447 of the Companies Act, which started a year ago, and tabloid newspaper publicity over Sir Ralph's private life.

If he joined the board, Mr Grant would be likely to advise Burton on the inquiry, which is thought to concern its takeover of Debenhams, and the possibility of removing the shadow over the group. But he did not rule out board advice on personal matters.

He said that he favoured the American-style board, which was led by an executive chairman and a small group of executives, but which had a majority of non-executives. Burton has three non-executives on a board of 10.

Losing the golden touch

Well . . . at least he can't be accused of possessing inside information. Jeff Ware, mining analyst at County NatWest WoodMac, must surely be one of the unluckiest men in the City. For, on Tuesday he published a "sell" note on Consolidated Gold Fields, the precious metals group, saying: "We remain bearish on gold and consequently have reduced our estimates." That was, as we all now know, less than 24 hours before Minorco launched its £2.9 billion bid, which yesterday saw shares in ConsGold leap more than £3 apiece to £14. Last night a defensive Mr Ware told me that he thought the bid "defied logic" but admitted that he had had a considerable amount of stick from his City colleagues and is now calling Consgold shares "a buy up to £15 – because they can defend themselves up to that level. I didn't think that Minorco would bid, because it would be cutting off its nose to spite its face," says Ware, "but when I get things wrong I get them spectacularly wrong."

On their marks

City fans of Marks and Spencer may soon have to travel a shorter distance to stock up on their favourite foods or pinstripe suits. According to *Retail Week*, the trade journal, the company is thought to be considering its first City site. Although Marks and Spencer officially denies that it has any plans to move into the Square Mile, the magazine claims that its long-standing opposition to a market that is effectively closed at weekends is fading, and that the race is now on for the company's executives to find the right site for a new store targeted specifically at the needs of City workers.

THE TIMES CITY DIARY

A lesson in brokerese

Don't always accept everything your stockbroker tells you at face value. One securities house – which, for obvious reasons has asked to remain nameless – has let slip the real meanings behind those oft-used City sayings. Anyone who tells you that the new computerized dealing system is much better than the old market floor is, it is claimed, saying so simply because "We don't have to answer the telephone." "I'll be surprised if the yield doesn't double in the next two years" means that the share price will probably halve, and "There's been some knowledgeable buying" apparently means "We've all got them PA in-house and we want to get out." And, Big Bang or not, if your broker tells you he's just popping out for a quick lunch, don't believe him. He probably means "See you tomorrow."

IMF détente

The World Bank and the International Monetary Fund, not to be outdone in the age of *glasnost*, may yet prove themselves a bridge between East and West when they hold their joint annual meeting in West Berlin next week. For pencilled in on the agenda is the possible welcoming of the Soviet Union into the fold. Hans Klein, West Germany's minister for economic co-operation, has already pronounced himself "extremely happy" with the idea. But such a move would give Nicholas Brady, the United States' new Treasury Secretary, pause for thought. In preliminary discussions today, Brady is expected to tell the IMF that whoever is the next president, US co-operation with the rest of G7 will continue as before – even, presumably, if G7 becomes G8.

A lucky air miss

The failure of British Airways to buy a 25 per cent slice of Air New Zealand could turn out to be a blessing in disguise. Antipodean sources tell me that hundreds of ANZ stewards and stewardesses are in the process of taking the airline to an industrial court, in an effort to settle their claim that they have been underpaid to the tune of one hour on each of thousands of long-haul flights, over a period of several years. ANZ is not, I am assured, denying the claim, but says it will take months to calculate the full cost – expected to run into several millions. Meanwhile, at a time when the airline's profits have fallen by £36 million in the past year, the New Zealand Ministry of Transport is apparently trying to play down a report from the Treasury there, which says that a ministry miscalculation allowed the airline to overcharge hundreds of thousands of locals who fly to Australia each year, by NZ$100 (£36) each. The Treasury estimates that the total amount of overcharging runs to NZ$60 million and may well have to be repaid. Perhaps fate was on your side after all, Lord King.

● Japanese yuppies have developed a yen for the British military look. The latest *de rigueur* accessory, on the floor of the Tokyo Stock Exchange, is to wear British military badges and crests on jacket breast pockets. The favourite at the moment is the insignia of the Household Cavalry.

Carol Leonard

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BUSINESS LETTERS

Control credit advertising

From Mr John Cameron

Sir, The Government is clearly coming to the view that personal borrowing is, like smoking, not good for people, particularly when taken to excess.

Although credit controls would be unacceptable in political terms, as well as unworkable in practice, why not take the same approach to credit as to smoking, ie, ban all advertising (or at least television advertising) for credit?

Currently, one is bombarded with appeals from every sort of financial institution to borrow more money. If the serenade were to cease or, better still, be replaced by a Government-sponsored campaign on the dangers of taking out excess credit, then the growth in private sector borrowing would slow, hopefully leading to an immediate improvement in the balance of trade.

Lastly, it is worth noting that this proposal does nothing to inhibit borrowing for good reasons by industry.

Yours faithfully,
JOHN CAMERON,
1B Addison Crescent, W14.
September 5.

Innovation finance

From Dr Alastair R. Michell

Sir, So the reason for Britain's lack of industrial success is because the innovators are too lazy to interest industry in their discoveries (September 12). In the words of the once-great John Patrick, "you can't be serious!"

Industry in this country, with a few notable exceptions such as the pharmaceutical industry, invests less in research than any other of our major international competitors.

In contrast, expenditure on travel and entertainment is quite exceptional by any standards, equivalent to £350 per annum for every man, woman and child in the country; over £2,000 million per annum purely on entertainment, even in 1985 (*The Times* May 17, 1985).

If a fraction of the time and money "invested" in hob-nobbing in the beer tents of Wimbledon, Lords and Glyndebourne were redirected to keeping abreast of current developments, we might all be in a more secure position once the oil-fired boom is spent.

Yours sincerely,
DR A. R. MICHELL,
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Wheathampstead,
Herts.
September 13.

A way out of the rates trap

From Mr John Hooper

Sir, While agreeing with a lot of Mr Gavyn Davies's article (September 5), this, naturally, takes the grand overall view. Economically, you, Sid and I are that unruly mass that make up "the consumers" who apparently act in concert to frustrate the plans of Government and Treasury.

Of course, in truth we all act in different ways and while it may be the case that equity withdrawal from the mature housing market provides a major boost for consumer spending, try telling that to first-time house buyers or recent mortgagees who have had to borrow to the hilt solely to obtain a house.

They do not have any spare cash to add to the consumer boom in other goods and the recent massive upsurge in interest rates will probably give most of them a negative cash flow.

For them, a rise of, say, 4 per cent in base rates probably represents a 40 per cent increase in mortgage outgoings and no matter how prudent they may have been, very few would have allowed for this.

To come to the point of my letter, I believe that most commentators agree that base rates are a blunt instrument in that they afflict all sectors of industry and consumers regardless.

It seems to me that a far more discriminatory tool is required without necessarily resorting to the old style credit controls on amounts and borrowing periods.

I suggest that instead of raising base rates it could be possible to maintain these at a level which, without a long discourse on market forces, I shall merely call "sufficient," topping up the rate that certain categories of borrowers pay with a further percentage representing a tax on credit.

Thus in today's circumstances the base rate might be set at 8 per cent with a further 4 per cent of credit tax for personal loans, re-mortgages, overdrafts, credit cards, etc. (This example obviously ignores lenders' margins).

The credit tax rate for other category borrowers, such as main mortgage, non-importing sectors of industry, etc, could be considerably less or, preferably zero.

In this way the Government is able to fine-tune the consumer section of the economy in a less painful and self-destructive way.

The method allows the Treasury to mop up the extra cash and credit produced by recent tax rebates and funnel them into their own coffers rather than those of the banks and foreigners.

It does not have to pay excessive interest on its own borrowings. British industry is not put at an unnecessary disadvantgage to foreign competition and the pound does not have to be maintained at artificially high levels to keep down inflation.

The luckless mortgagee does not suddenly find himself in an uncontrollable poverty trap.

The confines of this letter ensure that my proposal is rather simplistic and no doubt there are many problems. However, if the principle is sound, does it not appear a better way?

Yours faithfully,
JOHN HOOPER,
37a Coniston Road,
Leighton Buzzard,
Bedfordshire.
September 7.

Privatization dividends

From Dr Richard Jones

Sir, Mr John Bell's article (September 3) about Sid and his friends claims that small investors, who bought shares in Government privatizations such as British Gas, would now be as sick as a parrot. Not this Sid.

I was allocated shares in all privatizations from British Telecom onwards, with the exception of BP for obvious reasons, and my return on capital (taking the middle share quoted prices on September 3 and including dividends received) has been 28 per cent.

Investment took place between December 1984 and May 1988 but, on average, this money has been invested for 18 months and has, therefore, produced a capital growth of 18.7 per cent per annum. This has occurred during the disastrous stock market plunge of October 1987 and the smaller drop last week. In addition, continuing shareholders will be eligible for a 10 per cent bonus issue (Rolls-Royce excepted) in the next couple of years.

The facts are that if Sid had purchased £1,000 worth of all these Government privatization issues (viz. British Telecom, BAA, British Airways, Rolls-Royce and British Gas), he would have enjoyed a capital growth of 29 per cent, or double the return from a building society over the same period of time.

So, this parrot, and I would imagine most of them, is feeling pretty healthy.

Yours faithfully,
DR RICHARD JONES,
Nook House Farm,
Nook Lane,
Antrobus, Northwich,
Cheshire.
September 4.

Tax incentives and the house buyer

From Mr Alan J Denehan

Sir, I do not recall one of the many correspondents writing to you on the subject of consumer credit reminding us that mortgage finance is available to purchase an appreciating asset which is free from Capital Gains Tax on a sale (provided it is the owner's primary residence) at interest rates below the market price. Should this not be enough to encourage us to buy our own homes the tax system provides a generous allowance.

Since it appears that the massive growth in the amount of money available in the mortgage market is causing concern, is it not time for the Chancellor to abolish this particular tax break?

I suggest that this could be achieved in one step in the next Budget statement, or sooner, and as a quid pro quo he could increase Personal Allowances by a sum equivalent to the gain the Exchequer would make from such a change.

I doubt if mortgagors would be fully compensated but the suggestion, if adopted, would result in a number of the lowest income earners being exempt from the payment of Income Tax and would be another step along the way to fiscal neutrality.

Yours faithfully,
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Wymering Road,
Maida Vale, W9.
August 31.

Credit puzzle

From J. Muir Watt

Sir, Those of us who were taught economics many years ago may be puzzled by the apparent difficulty of restricting excessive credit creation without using the "blunt instrument" of the rate of interest. We learnt that there was a restraint in the shape of a conventional ratio maintained by the banks of cash or its equivalent to deposits. Does this convention still exist?

Has it been rendered ineffective by the growth of credit cards and perhaps other kinds of credit not controllable by the banks?

Yours faithfully,
J. MUIR WATT,
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Strathclyde.
September 3.

BUSINESS ROUNDUP

CH Industrials pays £7m for Motor Panels

The Motor Panels group, which built *Bluebird* in 1959 for Donald Campbell's successful attempt on the world land speed record, has been bought by CH Industrials, the expanding specialist engineer and industrial holding group, for £7.5 million in cash.

Based in Coventry, Motor Panels has been acquired from Rubery Owens Holdings, the privately owned company. The group makes commercial vehicle cabs as well as bodies for prestige motor cars such as Daimler. CH, which is chaired by Mr Tim Hearley, is keen to expand the motors side by working for the mass production car manufacturers on limited range projects. CH is expected to announce two more acquisitions before the end of this month – in the automotive and chemical polymers areas – as well as a number of joint ventures with West German companies.

Double take for Power

The first set of interim figures from Power Corporation, the Irish property developer which owns half of London's Trocadero development, shows pre-tax profits doubled to Ir£2.18 million (£1.88 million) from Ir£1.06 million for the six months to end-June. An interim dividend of Ir1.7p is to be paid. The chairman, Mr Robin Power, believes second-half profits will be better than the first half.

£1.3m for coal producer

Young Group, the private coal producer based in Durham, which arrived on the USM in June, reported pre-tax profits of £1.3 million for the first half of the year compared with £1.1 million previously. Turnover rose from £7.6 million to £9.3 million. Trading in the second half of the year has been encouraging. The board will pay a final dividend, in line with policy outlined in the prospectus, of 3.25p.

Cakebread rises 32%

Cakebread, Robey & Co, the builders' and timber merchant, benefited from the booming building industry in the South-east, its main area of operation, in the six months to end-June, with pre-tax profits showing an increase of 32 per cent to £426,000.

Early indications were that the trading improvements should carry on into the second half, which would also see a £400,000 gain from the sale of two properties in Wood Green, north London, the company said. An interim dividend of 0.8p, unchanged from last time, will be paid.

Britannia lifts profits 29%

Britannia Group, the property developer, reported a 29 per cent increase in pre-tax profits to £653,000 for the six months to June 30. Turnover was up 6.4 per cent to £6.8 million. The company said some significant projects were due to be completed during the second half, with their full benefits likely to be felt in the full-year results. Earnings per share remained at 3.6p. The interim dividend is 1.4p.

Watmoughs up to £2.8m

Watmoughs (Holdings), the printer and publisher, lifted pre-tax profits by 41 per cent to £2.8 million in the six months to the end of June. Turnover was 8 per cent higher at £26.4 million. A 2p dividend is declared. New contracts for the second half include two publications, *Marie Claire* for European Magazines and *Woman's Weekly* for IPC Magazines. The board expects another record year.

Sandell claims 39.3%

Sandell Perkins, the builders' and timber merchant, has posted its offer document for a recommended 356.8p a share bid for Travis & Arnold, the timber group. Sandell said it had received irrevocable undertakings for 39.3 per cent of Travis's equity.

The two companies said in a joint statement at the time of the merger announcement on September 12 that the offer valued the combined group at £223 million. After the announcement of the merger, Travis rejected a £176 million, 500p per share bid from Meyer International.

Interim profits leap to £23m at Dairy Farm

From Stephen Leather
Hong Kong

Dairy Farm, the Hong Kong retailing group which owns 25 per cent of the British Kwik Save supermarket chain, yesterday announced after-tax profits up 77 per cent at HK$305 million (£23.28 million) for the six months to end-June.

The profits of the Jardine Matheson subsidiary included the first full half-year contribution from the group's Kwik Save interest, acquired on July 1 last year.

Mr Simon Keswick, the former Jardine chairman, who left Hong Kong earlier this year and is now non-executive chairman of Dairy Farm, said: "The outlook for the remainder of the year is encouraging, with good prospects for growth in the company's principal activities."

Sales over the six-month period totalled HK$7.64 billion, 27 per cent more than the same period last year. The interim dividend is being raised by 40 per cent to 7 cents per share.

He said the group's Wellcome supermarkets, which account for more than 90 per cent of its Hong Kong retail sales, Mannings drug stores and Oliver's delicatessens "all showed strong profit growth, in spite of escalating rentals and the shortage of labour." The group's chain of Maxim's fast food restaurants opened 10 new outlets during the period and achieved strong profit growth, he said.

All-round growth: Simon Keswick, the Dairy Farm chairman

Since it was hived-off from Hong Kong Land in 1986, Dairy Farm has been aggressively expanding in Hong Kong and overseas.

In order to cope with the overseas expansion, the group has split its operations into three geographic regions – Asia, Australia and Britain. The company is on its way to becoming the biggest supermarket operator in Taiwan, where it has seven Ding-Hao Wellcome outlets. It has also set up a joint-venture ice cream plant there.

NatWest Mortgage Rate

With effect from 21st September, 1988 for new borrowers, and from 1st October for existing borrowers, the NatWest Mortgage Rate payable under current Mortgage Deeds and Conditions of Offer will be increased from 11.5% p.a. to 12.75% p.a.

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Barclays scheme to offer cover

By Tony Levene

Barclaycard is set to introduce a new, no-cost scheme next year to convince consumers to use its brand of plastic credit – and not those of its rivals.

If final test marketing is positive, it will offer its 9 million cardholders Barclaycard Buyers Protection. This is a free additional warranty which extends a supplier's or maker's guarantee by one year on a range of consumer goods costing more than £50.

The only exclusions are motorized vehicles, including motorcycles and motor boats. Barclaycard says aeroplanes are also out – although it admits no one has so far bought one with its card. But everything else which has a guarantee against anything going wrong is covered.

The main use is likely to be in buying video recorders, television sets, washing machines and other domestic electrical equipment but bicycles and garden machinery, for instance, will also be covered.

As competition intensifies, with some banks offering a choice of credit cards and the Monopolies Commission report on plastic cards in the pipeline, Barclaycard is testing 250,000 of its cardholders chosen at random for their reactions between now and the end of the year. Early signs are good, with cardholders apparently liking something that is genuinely cost-free, so the protection plan could well take off.

But Barclaycard may have to tone down claims of what this "something for nothing" is really worth. It quotes a typical insurance premium on a dishwasher for one year's extension of the original 12-month guarantee as £39.99. Barclaycard cannot possibly make enough on an item costing about £300 to pay out that amount.

If the Barclaycard Buyers Protection scheme does take off, it is likely to replace Profiles, the popular scheme which offers free gifts in return for Barclaycard spending. Profiles has been criticized as likely to tempt people more heavily into credit card debt – an accusation Barclaycard denies.

EC code to protect credit card holders

From Michael Dynes, Brussels

European credit card companies yesterday greeted with relief the European Commission's decision to shelve, temporarily, its controversial proposal to issue a draft directive which would harmonize the rights of the community's 80 million credit card holders.

Mr Grigoris Varfis, the Greek Commissioner for Consumer Protection, opted instead for a non-binding code of conduct, designed to offer minimal protection for card holders in the event of loss, theft, and illegal use.

Under the new scheme, credit card holders are liable for the illegal use of their cards until the issuing company has been notified of the loss or theft. The code puts a ceiling of 150 Ecu (£100) on card holders' liability.

The scheme also requires credit card companies to introduce a 24-hour notification service, enabling card holders to report losses as quickly as possible, and in any disputes between issuer and holder over liability, the burden of proof rests with the company.

Credit card companies have been given 12 months to implement the code of conduct, after which the committee will review the situation. If it is not in widespread use at the end of the period, the commission is likely to press ahead with the draft directive.

The commission believes that the wide variations in the amount of consumer protection afforded credit card holders must be ironed out in the run-up to the single market.

British credit card companies assume almost total liability for the illegal use of customers' cards, while Belgian companies require customers to put up some property as collateral. Only Denmark has enacted legislation on card holder protection.

Most European credit card companies and a number of member states, principally Britain, France and The Netherlands, have opposed legislation on the grounds that self-regulation is likely to be more effective.

They also fear legislation would hamper an industry experiencing technological change.

Lloyds Bank Mortgage Rate.

Our Mortgage Rate† will be increased to 12.8% p.a. APR 13.7%* and will apply to new and existing borrowers from 22 September 1988.

*The APR shown is typical of loans for 25 years.
†Formerly Home Loan Rate.

Lloyds Bank

THE THOROUGHBRED BANK.

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STOCK MARKET

ConsGold bid fever grips investors

Bid fever gripped investors yesterday in the wake of Britain's biggest ever contested takeover — Minorco's £2.9 billion offer for Consolidated Gold Fields.

The bid, combined with this week's stake-building reports about Lonrho, have helped to inject new life into a tired-looking marketplace that has been preoccupied in recent weeks with inflation and rising interest rates.

The market's sudden change of fortunes was reflected in the turnover figure with 439.5 million alpha and beta shares recorded on Seaq, the Stock Exchange's computerized trading system.

Still benefiting from Tuesday's better-than-expected money supply figures, the FT-SE 100 share index managed to shake off an early setback on Wall Street to close near its best levels of the day with a rise of 24.7 points at 1,796.8. The narrower FT 30 share index rose 13.9 to finish at 1,443.8.

But the star performance of the day was ConsGold which finished 312½p higher at £13.88 as 14 million shares were traded. Dealers expect a protracted and bitter fight and will be hanging on for the ride.

But some market-makers on the traded options market have been licking their wounds and counting losses which may run into millions of pounds. The first signs of the long-awaited move by Minorco were seen in the options market, with heavy demand over the past few weeks for the ConsGold 1,100p October series.

Many dealers are now calling for an inquiry into share dealings to see if there was a leak.

Government securities were overshadowed and closed with falls stretching to £¼.

Minorco's move also attracted support for other mining issues with rivals **RTZ** leaping 43p to 458½p and **Charter Consolidated** 45p to 392½p.

Johnson Matthey, the precious metals group, where Charter Consolidated owns a 37.69 per cent stake, climbed 21p to 344p, while **Cookson Group**, which earlier this year bought a 6.3 per cent stake in Johnson Matthey, shrugged

Select Appointments, the USM-quoted employment agency, rose 9p to 201p after a meeting with fund managers arranged by BZW, the broker, at which it praised its Australian acquisition Morgan & Banks.

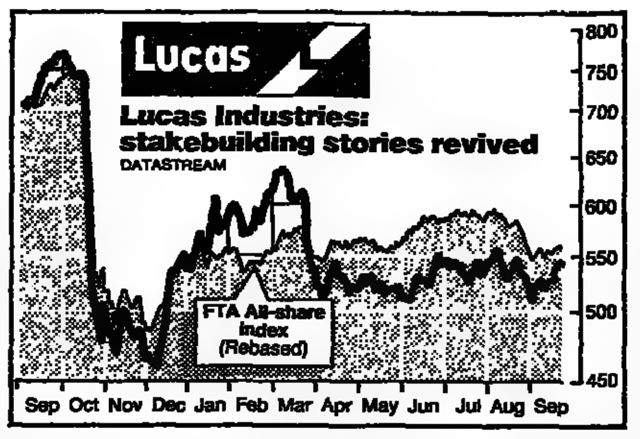
off recent weakness to rally 12p to 258p.

Once again all the old bid favourites were wheeled out for an airing. Rises were seen in **Scottish & Newcastle Breweries** 4p to 344p, **Storehouse** 8p to 196p and **Tarmac** 8p to 234p.

Sears, the Selfridges to Saxone stores group and William Hill betting office chain, also stood out in late trading with a jump of 9p to 138p on revived bid talk. City whispers claimed cash-rich Hanson is about to pounce. The suggestions were treated sceptically by sources close to Hanson.

Other companies facing the threat of an unwanted bid included **Blue Circle Industries**, up 9p at 432p, and **English China Clay**, 13p dearer at 479p. Dealers say that both companies have a lot in common with ConsGold. They boast attractive yields and appear vulnerable. RTZ is tipped as a possible suitor for ECC. **Delta Group**, up 9p at 282p, could also attract a bid from RTZ.

Lucas Industries was another takeover favourite that was able to show a clean pair of heels to the bears, soaring 23p to 572p on revived stakebuilding stories.



Once again there are suggestions that Siemens, the powerful West German industrial group, has been carefully building up a stake and may now account for almost 4 per cent of the issued share capital.

Speculators reckon that Siemens has built up its holding through the new shares issued at 500p as part of its £163 million rights issue back in April. The group's cash-raising exercise caught the City on the hop and was given a cool reception by fund managers. Anyone who had wanted to build up a stake would have been greeted by plenty of willing sellers.

Lucas is known to be vulnerable to an unwanted bid and it is said to have been on the lookout for suitable acquisitions for some time. Up until yesterday's bid for ConsGold, most dealers were prepared to treat the Lucas talk with some scepticsm but Siemens has no shortage of financial muscle.

Yesterday's bid euphoria spilled over into Pearson, which finished 24p up at 740p. Merrill Lynch, the broker, was given an unlimited buying order by a mystery client but met with only minimal success.

Bid hopes also lay behind the latest surge in the price of **Lonrho**, the international trading group headed by Mr Roland "Tiny" Rowland, which owns interests ranging from *The Observer* newspaper to Whyte & Mackay Scotch whisky, confirmed recent speculation that Mr Asher Edelman, the Wall Street arbitrageur, is the mystery buyer who has built up a near 4 per cent stake in the company.

He bought up to 17 million shares over a two-week period via two stockbrokers and a Swiss bank. Lonrho is now trying to establish the ultimate ownership of the shares and the identity of the person who has been funding Mr Edelman.

There are reports that Mr Edelman has already had talks with the Mutual Shares Corporation which is Lonrho's biggest independent shareholder with a 6.7 per cent stake.

Mr Edelman has established a reputation as a "greenmailer" in New York's financial community, buying stakes in companies in the hope of flushing out a bidder and selling him the stake, or selling it back to the company at a higher price.

Lonrho finished the session a further 17½p higher at 307½p — for a two-day gain of 38½p. There was heavy turnover of the shares on the traded options market with 3,150 deals recorded. Traders said there was plenty of support for the December 260p and 280p and March 280p call series. The company is treating the threat of a bid seriously and does not think the Edelman stake was bought for purely investment purposes.

Ultramar firmed 2p to 237p on the news that Sir Ron Brierley, the New Zealand entrepreneur, had been topping up his holding in the shares. He has increased his stake from 13.8 per cent to 14.1 per cent which analysts say is significant.

Michael Clark

RECENT ISSUES

EQUITIES		
BMSS (118p)	118	-1
Bucknall Aust (110p)	116	
Builder Gp (125p)	161	
Caldwell Inv	46	
Christie Grp (145p)	165	
Colroy (150p)	145	
Computer People	194	
Erostin Group (165p)	161	
European Colour	25½	+1
Exmoor Dual Inv	38	
Heritage (95p)	148	
Herring Son (150p)	143	
Hi-Tech Sports	146	+2
Jackson Group	110	
Lincat Group (115p)	160	
Lowndes Queensway	75	+½
Nat Telecom	141	+1
Palmerston Hldgs	205	
Rentaminster	61	
Rockfort	112	
Saunderson Elec (130p)	145	
Savills (125p)	118	-2
SCRcorp	£19 7/16	-1/16
Severfield-R (80p)	92	
Sonic Tape (15p)	11	
Steetley	334	+10
Tamaris	58	
Tams (John) (80p)	90	-1
RIGHTS ISSUES		
Charterhall N/P	5¼	+¼
Chemex Intl N/P	1½	
EBC Gp N/P	8	-1
Ellis & Everard N/P	17	-½
First Tech N/P	23	+3
Honorbilt N/P	8	-½
Jermyn Inv N/P	200	
Lynx Tech N/P	6	-4
Thompson Clive NP	126	
Ultramar N/P	38	+1

(Issue price in brackets).

ALPHA STOCKS

	Vol '000		Vol '000		Vol '000		Vol '000
ADT	1,482	CU	1,161	Laporte	980	Saatchi	816
Abbey	1,158	Cons Gold	2,066	L&G	970	Sainsbury	2,181
Alld-Lyons	1,358	Cookson	1,025	Lloyds	1,138	Scot & N	2,989
Amstrad	1,182	Courtaulds	1,103	Lonrho	1,977	Sears	10,227
ASDA	2,488	Dalgety	322	Lucas	369	Sedgwick	309
AB Foods	709	Dee	2,459	Magnet	1,437	Shell	1,197
Argyll	4,384	Dixons	1,815	M&S	153	Siebe	193
BAA	1,758	ECC	958	Maxwell Cm	520	Slough	1,188
BET	241	Enterprise	2,108	MEPC	282	Smith & N	2,586
BTR	4,084	Ferranti	3,958	Metal Box	262	Smith WH	285
BAT	2,131	Fisons	2,050	Midland	236	Smiths Ind	619
Barclays	3,555	FKI Babck	2,013	NatWest	824	STC	1,507
Bass	394	Gen Acc	610	Next	1,516	Stan Chart	2,088
Beecham	1,351	GEC	9,080	Nth Food	483	Storehse	879
Beazer	2,906	Glaxo	3,433	P&O	478	Sun Allnce	278
Benstd SW	245	Globe Inv	740	Pearl	201	T & N	297
BICC	839	Glynwed	213	Pearson	1,652	Tarmac	5,861
Blue Arrow	2,365	Granada	530	Pilkington	1,897	Tate & Lyle	143
Blue Circle	1,768	Grand Met	1,210	Plessey	1,772	Taylor Wood	n/a
BOC	891	GUS 'A'	126	Polly Peck	621	TSB	2,388
Boots	1,656	GRE	829	Prudential	9	Tesco	840
BPB	1,473	GKN	1,131	Racal	2,347	Thorn EMI	856
Br Aero	474	Guinness	1,526	Rk Hovis	798	Trafalgar	969
Br Airways	645	Hamm 'A'	253	Rank	1,579	THF	4,732
Br Comm	489	Hanson	1,970	R&C	427	Ultramar	2,319
Br Gas	7,736	H & C	249	Redland	1,589	Unigate	968
Br Land	1,849	Hawker	954	Reed	1,050	Unilever	1,123
Br Petrol	1,641	Hillsdown	302	Reuters	391	United Bis	1,060
Br Telecm	1,234	IMI	1,556	RMC Gp	859	Utd News	189
Bunzl	35	ICI	534	RTZ	15,092	Wellcome	1,340
Burmah	41	Inchcape	337	R-Royce	4,456	Whitbrd	347
Burton	215	Jaguar	340	Rothm 'B'	2,830	Williams	880
C&W	2,158	Lasmo	1,147	Rowntree	n/a	Wilks Fab	170
Cadbury	1,852	Ladbroke	1,016	Royal Bank	242	Wimpey G	384
Coats	1,446	Land Sec	632	Royal Ins	639	Woolworth	222

TRADITIONAL OPTIONS

First Dealings	Last Dealings	Last Declaration	For Settlement
September 12	September 23	December 8	December 19

Call options were taken out on: 21/9/88 Eagle Trust, Barratt Developments, WA Holdings, Copson, Lonrho, Dee Corp, Norex, Consolidated Gold, Leisure Investments, Sears, Rank Hovis.

LONDON TRADED OPTIONS

	Series	Calls Oct	Calls Jan	Calls Apr	Puts Oct	Puts Jan	Puts Apr
Alld Lyon (*414)	390	34	45	53	4	12	14
	420	14	27	36	15	25	28
	460	2½	12	15	48	50	53
Bass (*746)	700	57	70	80	5	13	17
	750	22	35	50	17	35	37
	800	4	16	28	55	66	72
Brit Air (*154)	140	18	21	24	1½	4	6
	160	4½	8½	13	10	13	16
	180	1	3½	–	27	30	–
Brit Cons (*219)	220	7	15	30	9	14	16
	240	4	8	12	27	30	32
	260	2	5	8	45	47	48
Brit Gas (*167)	160	10½	17½	16½	3	5½	7½
	180	2	6	9	15	16	18
	200	½	2	3½	35	35	35
BP (*248)	220	32	39	40	1	2½	5
	240	13	23	25	3½	7	12
	260	3½	12	13½	13	15½	23
Cons Gold (*1382)	950	445	480	500	4	12	13
	1000	391	410	440	5	12	22
	1100	295	330	350	10	20	40
Courtauld (*296)	300	10	22	30	12	19	23
	330	5	12	18	37	40	41
	360	½	6	11	66	66	68
Com Union (*339)	330	20	34	40	6	14	20
	360	7	20	26	27	30	38
	390	4	9	16	52	52	60
C & W (*375)	330	52	63	73	2½	6	10
	360	24	37	50	6	15	18
	390	7½	20	30	22	28	33
GEC (*154)	140	17	22	26	1½	3½	5½
	160	4	8½	12	8½	10	14
	180	1	3	6½	27	28	30
GKN (*323)	300	28	38	45	2½	5½	11
	330	8	20	27	12	15	23
	360	2	10	16	37	39	43
Grand Met (*485)	420	70	–	–	2	–	–
	460	33	50	57	6	11	18
	500	10	26	33	23	28	35
	550	1½	10	16	68	68	72
ICI (*1017)	900	123	155	–	1	6	–
	950	77	113	122	6	17	33
	1000	40	75	89	20	30	50
	1100	5	29	40	90	90	113
Jaguar (*244)	240	11½	23	29	5½	12	19
	260	3½	13	19	19	23	30
	280	2	6½	11	38	40	45
	300	1	3	6	58	59	65
Land Sec (*547)	500	52	64	78	2½	7	14
	550	16	32	45	16	25	30
	600	3	13	23	56	60	62
M & S (*162)	140	24	28	32	1	2½	4
	160	6½	15	17	5	9	10
	180	1½	5	10	21	21	22
R-Royce (*130)	120	11½	16	21	2	4½	6
	130	5	10	15	6	6½	11½
	140	2	5½	10	14	15½	18
STC (*257)	240	32	38	43	2½	5	9
	260	16	25	30	7	11	16
	280	6	15	19	18	22	23
Sainsbury (*203)	200	9	15	21	4	8	9
	220	1½	7	11	19	20	21
	240	1	3	–	38	38	–
	260	½	1	–	58	58	–
Shell (*982)	950	53	85	102	11	22	40
	1000	22	54	70	34	44	58
	1100	3	17	30	125	125	140
Storehse (*193)	180	19	29	34	5	10	13
	200	10	19	23	15	18	23
	220	3	12	15	31	34	36
Trafalgar (*308)	280	32	38	40	2½	7	10
	300	15	22	28	6	15	17
	330	3	9	15	24	34	37
TSB (*100)	90	12	15	16	1	2½	3
	100	3½	7	8½	3½	5	6½
	110	1	2½	4½	11	11	11½
Utd Bisc (*281)	260	26	31	37	3	7	9
	280	12	18	25	8	16	17
Ultramar (*237)	216	32	45	52	6	14	18
	235	21	34	40	17	24	26
	255	14	25	30	30	36	40
Woolworth (*248)	260	5	16	23	17	19	22
	280	2½	8½	14	35	35	38
	300	1	4½	9	55	55	55
	Series	**Sep**	**Dec**	**Mar**	**Sep**	**Dec**	**Mar**
Amstrad (*203)	200	6	18	26	4	12	14
	220	1	10	17	19	24	26
	240	1	5	9½	38	39	39
Barclays ([illegible])	360	42	53	–	1	5	–
	395	8	25	–	4	14	–
	429	½	7	–	33	35	–
Beecham (*451)	420	43	53	65	1	5½	9
	460	8	24	38	6	20	24
	500	1	9	21	40	46	49
Boots (*216)	200	16	25	30	1	8	11
	220	2	12	20	6	17	20
	240	1	6	12	26	31	33
BTR (*285)	260	27	36	45	1	3	5½
	280	8½	21	31	2½	8½	11½
	300	½	10½	19	15	19	29
Blue Circ (*433)	390	45	58	70	1	6	12
	420	16	35	50	4	13	16
	460	3	15	28	30	35	40
	500	1	5	15	70	73	77
Dixons (*156)	160	2½	12	18	8	13	16
	180	1	4½	9	26	27	28
	200	1	1½	4	46	46	46

	Series	Calls Sep	Calls Dec	Calls Mar	Puts Sep	Puts Dec	Puts Mar
Glaxo (*1036)	900	139	150	175	1	8	17
	950	89	105	140	2	20	30
	1000	40	68	110	4	35	48
	1100	2	25	60	67	92	102
Hanson (*143)	130	13	16½	18	½	2½	3½
	140	3½	8½	11	1	5½	6½
	160	½	1½	3½	18	19	19½
Hawker (*514)	460	65	72	85	1	4	7
	500	18	42	58	2	17	23
	550	2	16	32	35	45	52
Hillsdown (*285)	280	8	19	30	3	7	11
	280	1	10	18	17	19	21
	300	½	5	9	35	38	39
Lonrho (*307)	223	88	92	–	1	1	–
	240	69	76	65	1	3	5
	260	49	59	65	1	4	10
Midland (*421)	390	32	47	55	1	6	12
	420	5	22	35	7	15	23
	460	1	6	13	38	42	50
Sears (*136)	120	18	22	27½	1	5	8
	130	7½	15	17	2½	10	12½
	140	3½	12	16	9	15	17½
Tesco (*139)	140	2½	9	13	4	6	11
	160	½	2½	5½	24	24	24
	180	½	1	2½	44	44	44
Thorn EMI (*627)	600	33	54	68	3	10	20
	650	5	25	40	30	40	47
	700	2	12	22	75	77	80
THF (*255)	220	38	44	50	1	3½	9
	240	17	31	38	2	9	16
	260	4½	19½	26	10	19	26
Unilever (*458)	420	50	58	68	½	4½	7
	460	11	27	40	3	17	20
	500	¼	10	20	35	38	42
Wellcome (*492)	460	33	62	66	1	11	16
	500	5½	27	43	15	28	35
	550	¼	10½	25	60	62	67
	Series	**Sep**	**Nov**	**Jan**	**Sep**	**Nov**	**Jan**
RHM (*389)	360	35	53	55	5	12	17
	390	13	35	40	12	24	28
	420	5	22	30	33	40	43
	Series	**Nov**	**Feb**	**May**	**Nov**	**Feb**	**May**
BAA (*256)	265	6	–	–	18	–	–
	280	2½	7½	13	25	28	31
	300	1	3	6	45	47	49
Brit Aero (*454)	420	47	64	77	5½	10	22
	460	20	37	46	21	26	30
	500	7½	20	27	50	53	65
	550	2	8½	14	98	100	105
BAT Ind (*433)	390	52	65	73	3	7	12
	420	29	44	52	10	15	23
	460	10	23	30	33	38	44
Brit Tele (*236)	220	23	27	32	3	6	8
	240	8	13	15	11	14	16
	260	2½	6	11	26	27	29
Cadbury (*378)	330	61	73	82	6	10	14
	360	39	53	60	15	20	25
	390	22	37	45	30	35	40
	420	12	26	34	50	55	60
Guinness (*308)	280	33	43	–	2	3	–
	300	18	29	35	7	12	14
	330	5	14	18	25	26	30
	360	1	6	9	54	56	57
Ladbroke (*426)	390	43	51	–	3½	9	–
	420	21	32	39	14	20	21
	460	5½	14	19	42	44	45
LASMO (*586)	500	81	110	124	15	30	37
	550	48	78	90	33	45	55
	600	27	53	63	58	70	75
Pilkington (*201)	180	24	30	35	2	4½	7
	200	12	17	23	8	12	14
	220	4	8	14	20	24	26
	240	1½	4	7	40	42	44
Plessey (*157)	140	22	25	31	2	5	7
	160	8	13	18	10	14	16
	180	3	7	10	24	26	28
P & O (*549)	500	52	67	73	5	11	17
	550	17	35	42	23	32	40
	600	4	16	22	68	70	75
Prudential (*151)	160	4	7½	10	12	12	14
	170	1	–	–	20	–	–
	180	1	3	5	30	30	31
Racal (*294)	280	27	40	45	9	16	21
	300	18	30	36	19	25	30
	330	6½	17	23	38	46	48
RTZ (*458)	390	77	95	105	2	10	13
	420	55	72	82	8	16	22
	460	23	40	55	22	30	38
Vaal Reefs (*558)	60	6	8	12	6	10	11
	70	2	4½	5	15	20	19
	80	1	3	3	28	28	28
Tr 12% 1995 (*107)	106	1½	1¾	–	7/16	13/16	–
	108	[illegible]	[illegible]	–	1½	1¾	–
	110	⅜	[illegible]	–	3 1/16	3⅛	–
	112	1/16	1/16	–	5 1/16	5 1/16	–

FT-SE INDEX (*1794)

Series	Calls Sep	Calls Oct	Calls Nov	Calls Dec	Puts Sep	Puts Oct	Puts Nov	Puts Dec
1700	96	107	116	130	2	14	21	29
1750	46	65	77	95	7	25	35	44
1800	10	32	48	63	25	46	58	65
1850	1½	13	26	42	68	79	68	95
1900	1	4	13	24	118	118	122	130
1950	½	1½	5	—	168	168	170	—
2000	½	1	3	—	218	218	220	—

September 21, 1988 Total: 37898 Calls 30810 Puts 7078 FT-SE: Calls n/a... Puts ...
*Underlying security price.

NEW YORK

Dow stays steady as early gains trimmed

(Reuter) — Wall Street shares were mostly higher but giving up small early gains yesterday.

Mr Ken Ducey, senior trader at SG Warburg, said program selling was eroding the early rise that came after gains in Tokyo and London. Shares also rose on consumer price and housing starts data.

Brokers added that shares were pulling back with bonds.

The Dow Jones industrial average, after being 4 points higher, was up just 0.89 to 2,088.37 at one stage when the transport indicator was up 4.33 to 891.13. The utilities average slipped 0.41 to 179.77.

Advancing shares had a small lead over declining issues.

Blue chip leader IBM was up ⅛ at 112⅞.

WALL STREET

	Sep 20	Sep 19
AMR Cp	45½	45½
ASA	36	35½
Aetna Life	51½	51½
Allied Signal	34½	34½
Allis Chlm	½	½
Alcoa	50½	50½
Amax Inc	20	19½
AMR Hess	28½	28
Am Brands	50½	51½
Am Cynmd	48½	48½
Am Ele Pwr	27½	27½
Amexs	28½	29
Am Family	13	12½
Am Home	79½	79
Am Int Grp	64½	64½
Am Teleh	25½	25½
Amoco Cp	75½	75½
Anheuser B	31½	31½
Arch Dan	19½	19½
Armco Steel	10	10½
Asarco Inc	23½	23½
Ashland Oil	34½	34½
Atl Richfld	80½	80½
Avon Prod	24½	24½
Bk Boston	26½	27
Bank NY	35½	35½
Bankamer	15½	16
Bkrs Tst NY	39½	38½
Baxter	20½	21½
Beth Steel	22½	22
Boeing	61	61½
Boise Casc	42½	42½
Borden	53½	53½
Bristl Meyr	43½	43½
BP	50½	50½
Brunswick	20½	20
Burl Nth	69½	70
CBS	168½	168½
CMS Engy	22	22½
CPC Int	50½	50½
CSX Cp	30½	30½
Camp Soup	29½	29½
Can Pacific	17½	16½
Caterpillar	58	55½
Centri SW	30½	30½
Champion	33½	32½
Chase Man	29½	29½
Chem Bank	32½	32½
Chevron	44½	44½
Chrysler	22½	22½
Citicorp	25½	25½
Clark Eq	29½	29½
Coca Cola	42½	42½
Colgate	43½	42½
Columb Gas	34½	34½
Cmb'tn Eng	32½	31½
Cmwlth Edi	30½	30½
Cons Edis	44	43½
Consol Ng	38	37½
Cont Data	22½	22½
Corning Gl	58½	58½
Crane	31	31½
Curtiss W	49½	n.a
Data Genl	19	18½
Deere Co	45½	44½
Delta Airl	48½	48
Detroit Edi	14½	14½
Digital Eq	92½	92½
Disney	63½	63
Dow Chem	87½	87½
Dressr Ind	29½	29
Dupont	81	80½
Duke Pwr	44½	44½
East Kodak	44½	44½
Eaton Cp	52½	77½
Emerson El	30	29½
Emery Air	5½	5½
Exxon	45½	44½
Farah Inc	10½	10½

	Sep 20	Sep 19
Fedders	9½	8
Fst Chicago	34½	35
Fst Int Bncp	52½	52½
Fst Penn C	12½	12½
FT Wachvia	38½	39½
Ford Motor	49½	49½
GAF Cp	49½	48½
GTE Cp	41½	41½
Gen Cp	20½	21
Gn Dynam	50½	50½
Gen Electric	43½	43½
Gen Insi	27½	27½
Gen Mills	50½	50½
Gen Motors	74½	74½
Gen Pub Ut	35	34½
Genesco	5½	4½
Georgia Pac	36½	38½
Gillette	33½	34½
Goodrich	56½	56½
Goodyear	58	57½
Gould Inc	22½	22½
Grace Co	25½	25½
Grt Atl Pac	43½	42½
Greyhnd	33½	33
Gruman	21½	21½
Gulf Westn	39½	39½
Heinz	44½	44½
Hercules	45½	45½
Hewlett Pk	48½	48½
Honeywell	56½	61½
IC Ind	35½	35½
ITT Cp	48½	48½
INCO	27½	27½
Ing Rand Wl	38½	38½
Inland Steel	38	37½
IBM	112⅞	112¾
Int Paper	45½	45½
Irving Bk	68½	68
Jhsn & Jhsn	84½	84½
K Mart	37½	37½
Kaisertech	18½	18½
Kerr McGee	37½	38
Kmbrly Clrk	57½	58
Kraft	58½	57½
Kroger	56½	52½
LTV Cp	2½	2½
Litton	73½	73½
Lockheed	40	40
Lone Star	31	30½
Man H'mer	30	29½
Manville	1½	1½
Mapco	54½	54½
Marriott	29½	29½
Mt Marieta	40½	40½
Masco Cp	25½	25½
Mcdonalds	46½	47
McDonnell	64½	64½
Mead Cp	44	44
Merck	57½	57½
Minsta Mng	63½	62½
Mobil	44½	44
Monsanto	75½	75½
Montedison	12½	n.a
Morgan Jp	38½	38
Motorola	43½	43½
NCR	58½	58½
NL Indstrs	6½	6½
Nat Md Ent	21½	21½
Nat Semi	9	8½
Norfolk Sth	29	29½
NW Bancrp	34½	35
Occid Petl	25½	25½
Ogden Cp	29½	28½
Olin Cp	45½	46½
PPG Ind	43½	43½
Pac Enterp	45½	46
Pac Gas El	17	16½
Pan Am	2½	2½
Penney JC	48½	47½

	Sep 20	Sep 19
Pennzoil	75	74½
Pepsico	37½	37½
Pfizer	53½	53½
Phelps Dod	39	38½
Philip Mor	95½	95
Philip Ptl	19½	18½
Pillsbury	38½	38½
Polaroid	40	41½
Primerica	25½	26½
Proct Gble	79	79
Pub SE Gr	23½	23
R Nabisco	54½	54½
Raytheon	70½	70½
Rynlds Met	50	50½
Rockwell Int	21½	21
Royal Dutch	107½	109½
SFE Sopac	20	19½
Sara Lee	42½	42½
Schlumb	34½	32½
Scott Paper	38½	38½
Seagram	55½	56½
Sears Roeb	37	37
Sec Pac	39½	39½
Shell Trans	68½	68
Smith Beck	49½	48½
Sony Cp	51½	51½
SW Bell	39½	39½
Squibb	65½	64½
Sun Comp	57½	57½
TDK	70½	72
TRW Inc	43½	43½
Teledyne	326½	330½
Tenneco	47½	47½
Texaco	45½	45½
Tex Eastn	25½	25½
Texas Inst	40½	40½
Tex Util	28½	28½
Textron	25½	25½
Travelers	34½	34½
UAL Cp	91½	91½
USG Cp	7½	7½
USX Cp	27½	28
Unilever Plc	31½	31½
Un Carbide	22½	22½
Un Pac Cp	58½	57½
Unisys Cp	32½	32½
Unit Brand	17½	17
Us West	55½	55½
Utd Tech	38½	37½
Unocal	37½	37
Warn Lamb	73½	73½
Wells Far	65½	65½
Westg El	51½	51½
Weyershr	24½	24½
Whirlpool	25½	25½
Woolworth	53½	52½
Xerox Cp	54½	54½
Zenith	21	21½

CANADIAN PRICES

	Sep 20	Sep 19
Agnico Eag	13	13½
Alcan Alum	36½	36½
Algoma Stl	25.37	25.37
Can Pacific	21	20½
Cominco	18	18½
Con Bathrst	14½	14½
Hawk S Can	21½	21½
Hud Bay M	18½	18½
Imasco	25½	26
Imperial Oil	50½	50½
Inco	33½	33½
Royl Trstco	15½	15½
Seagram	67½	67½
Shelco 'A'	41½	41½
Thmsn N 'A'	28½	28½
Vanty Cp	3.50	3.45
WCT	16½	16½
Weston	33½	33½

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TOKYO

Nikkei advances in late buying surge

Tokyo (Reuter) — Share prices reversed their downward spiral to close higher, as investors sought bargains in the afternoon. The Nikkei index rose 164.08 points, 0.60 per cent, to 27,712.66, after plunging 352.42 on Tuesday.

Declining issues outpaced gainers by 1.7 to one in moderate turnover of 800 million shares against 1 billion.

The index fell by as much as 257.18 points to a low of 27,291.40 just before the midday close. But in the afternoon a late buying surge pushed the index to the day's high.

There was little buying impetus from institutions, and some sold to reap profits before closing their books for the year on September 30. Uncertainty over the health of the emperor also prompted the selling, brokers said. They added that the market could take a sharp downturn if the emperor died but there would be no long-term effect.

Brokers had anticipated a drop in Japan's second-quarter gross national product (GNP). When announced after Tuesday's close the numbers showed a 1 per cent fall from the first quarter against an exceptional 2.7 per cent rise in January-March.

The Tokyo stock price index, Topix, lost 1.61 points to 2,122.03 after falling 28.22 points on Tuesday.

HONG KONG

Shares finish slightly higher on low volume

(Reuter) — Shares closed slightly higher yesterday as volume shrank due to continued lack of interest, brokers said.

The Hang Seng index rose 8.77 points to close at 2,432.00 while the broader Hong Kong index was up 5.71 to 1,602.96. Turnover totalled HK$285.20 million (£21.6 million) against HK$315.09 million on Tuesday.

Brokers noted some bargain-hunting by local investors. Most foreign fund managers stayed on the sidelines on concerns about possible sharp falls in Tokyo because of the health problems of Emperor Hirohito.

Interest centred on Cheung Kong and other blue chips. Cheung Kong ended HK5 cents higher at HK$6.95.

FRANKFURT

Prices broadly ahead

(Reuter) — Shares closed firmer yesterday with the Commerzbank index showing a midsession rise of 17.7 points to 1,576.4.

The real-time DAX index rose 15.89 points or 1.3 per cent soon after opening to hit a new 1988 high of 1,261.87. It recovered from light post-high profit taking to close at 1,260.99.

Dealers said price gains were spread across all sectors.

Underlying sentiment for German stocks was still strong despite Tuesday's consolidation.

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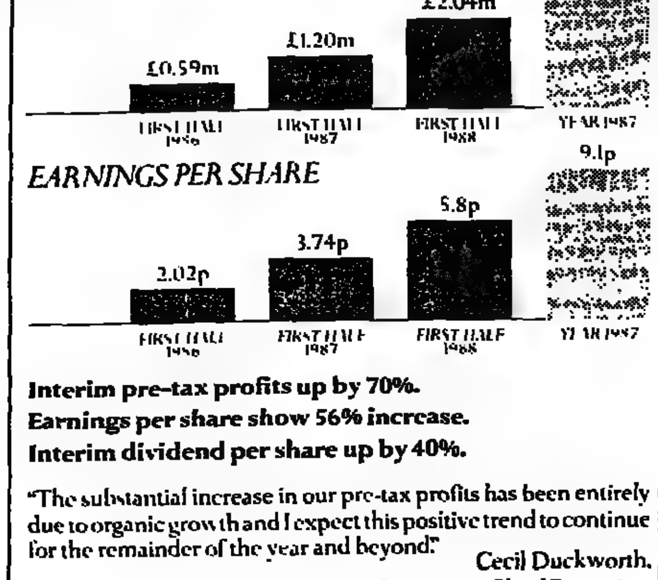

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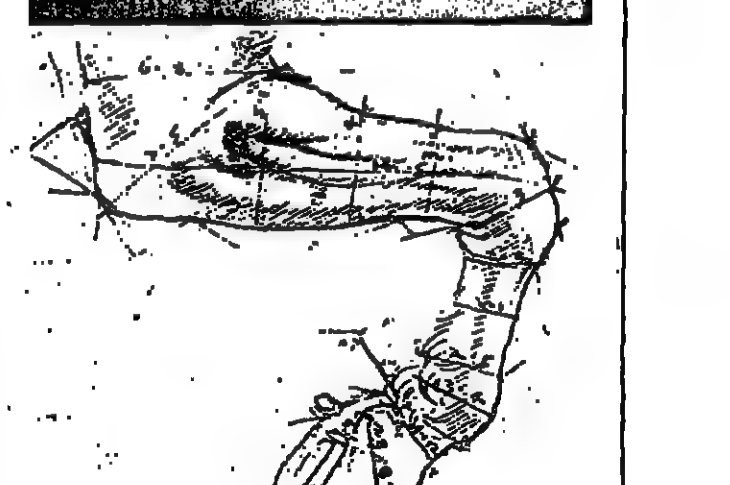

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Hi Inc Equity	115.0	123.0c	+1.5	4.84
Worldwide Bd	191.6	203.1●	-0.7	4.78
American Gth	155.5	165.4	+0.5	0.96
Asian Pacific	69.59	74.54	-1.29	1.45
Assets & Earns	134.1	143.5	+0.8	1.27
Capital Res	79.91	80.10	+0.15	3.75
Comm Energy	87.56	93.76c	-0.22	0.00
Euro Capital	73.20	77.87	+0.56	0.86
General	159.0	169.1●	+1.8	2.66
Japan	89.52	95.75c	-0.41	0.00
UK Gth Inc	116.5	124.1c	+0.4	1.85
Do Acc	171.9	182.9c	+0.5	1.25
US Emerg Co	43.84	46.69c	+0.09	0.00
Income Gth	260.1	276.7	+5.6	3.43
Master Acc	71.82	76.82	+0.30	2.12
American Inc	44.60	47.44●	+0.11	5.78
Ethical Tst	43.02	45.79	+0.23	2.73
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American	42.61	45.33	-0.26	2.00
Australian	22.79	24.25●	-0.22	1.41
Euro Tst	44.53	47.30	-0.21	0.00
Extra Inc	37.20	39.49●	+0.58	4.83
Fund Invest	96.87	102.9	+0.60	1.00
Do Acc	146.8	155.9	+0.8	1.00
Gt/Fxd Interest	22.13	23.54●	..	10.14
Global Income	35.71	37.99c	+0.15	5.06
Income Growth	84.48	89.59	+0.98	4.37
Japan Gen	161.7	172.0	-0.4	0.01
N Amer Inc	26.44	28.08	+0.02	3.23
Special Sits	62.36	66.34	+0.85	1.32
UK Growth	31.12	33.03	+0.31	2.80
World Gth	39.27	41.68	+0.06	1.15
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Euro Gth Acc	111.4	119.4●	+1.4	1.03
Exempt	386.6	405.9●	+4.0	4.76
Far Eastern	214.5	229.3●	+1.0	0.00
Fin & Prop	77.12	81.89	+0.30	2.80
Hi Yield	77.12	81.70	+0.27	4.73
Income & Gth	303.7	321.7●	+4.5	4.51
Intl Earnings	181.8	192.6●	+4.4	2.97
Int Gth Inc	87.44	93.12●	+0.67	0.24
Japan Gth Acc	151.3	161.6	+0.3	0.00
N Amer Gth Inc	118.1	126.5	+1.0	2.53
Preference Inc	133.7	141.8c	..	8.59
Sml Co Div Inc	92.28	97.75	+0.58	4.52
Sml Co Gth	291.8	309.1●	+0.1	1.55
Spec Sits Inc	127.0	134.8	+0.7	1.55
UK Growth	368.8	390.7	+5.9	3.39
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High Income	279.3	297.4●	..	4.99
Equity Inc	164.8	175.5	..	[illegible]
High Yield	168.1	179.0	..	5.30
Balanced	400.0	426.0	..	3.38
Amer Inc	28.76	30.62●	..	4.44
World Ase Val	27.86	29.44●	..	1.02
Japan	[illegible]	[illegible]	..	0.01
Sec of Amer	188.2	200.4	..	1.09
Asset Value	310.8	330.9	..	3.01
O'seas Earn	202.8	215.9	..	3.24
Recovery	95.97	102.2	..	2.82
UK Spec Sits	243.6	259.4●	..	2.79
Smr Co	161.5	171.9	..	2.05
Capital	240.0	255.6c	..	3.12
Amer Spec Sit	64.66	68.86●	..	1.87
International	92.64	98.66	..	1.00
Growth & Inc	145.3	154.7c	..	3.58
Euro Gth	18.27	19.45●	..	1.28
Pacific	[illegible]	[illegible]	..	0.29
2nd Smr Co	180.3	192.0●	..	2.04
BARCLAYS UNICORN				
Unicorn House, 252, Romford Rd E7 Tel: 01-534 5544				
Capital	75.15	80.37●	..	3.56
Euro Gth Inc	63.95	68.21●	..	1.04
Extra Income	90.93	96.99c	..	6.12
General	158.2	168.7●	..	3.39
Gilt & Fixed Inc	52.02	53.63●	..	9.70
Income Tst	386.3	412.0	..	4.89
BARING FUND MANAGERS				
PO Box 156, Beckenham, Kent BR3 4XQ Tel: 01-658 9002				
American EVS	59.71	63.36c	+0.39	1.40
Australia	63.77	68.74	-0.12	0.00
Eastern	75.37	81.38●	+0.07	0.40
Equity Inc	66.65	70.72	+1.25	5.30
Europe	123.6	131.2	+1.3	0.02
Exempt Tst	56.07	57.22●	+0.65	3.10
Growth & Inc	74.56	79.13●	+1.75	2.70
Do Acc	117.8	125.0●	+2.9	2.70
Global Gth	61.08	64.81	+0.36	0.00
Japan Spec	140.1	149.5	-0.4	0.00
Japan Sml	148.3	156.1●	-1.0	0.00
First Europe	113.3	120.3	+1.8	1.20
First Japan	101.1	107.9c	-0.5	0.00
First N Amer	45.12	48.60	-0.15	1.00
First Smr Co	89.82	95.41	+0.23	1.40
N Amer Spec	43.30	45.95	+0.27	0.60
UK Growth	53.98	57.42●	+0.49	5.04
Select Man Fd	45.85	48.64	+0.33	0.00
BROWN SHIPLEY				
9-17, Perrymount Rd, Haywards Heath Tel: 0444 458144				
Financial	145.5	154.8●	+1.3	3.81
Smr Co Acc	284.5	307.3c	..	0.95
Do Inc	180.0	194.4c	..	1.29
High Income	74.34	79.38●	+1.33	8.70
Income	80.15	86.25c	+1.33	4.65
Man Portfl Inc	82.87	87.82	+1.35	2.83
Do Acc	140.4	148.8	+2.1	2.20
Nth American	47.82	50.48	-0.19	0.25
Orient	108.1	108.7	-1.4	0.00
Exempt	262.2	278.9	+4.1	3.76
Recovery	82.07	88.41	+0.89	1.87
German	23.79	25.34	-0.10	1.40
Int Recov	24.45	26.16	-0.13	0.00
Europe	16.11	17.05●	+0.01	3.69
Conv General	22.63	24.01●	+0.06	7.16
BUCKMASTER MANAGEMENT				
The Stock Exchange London EC2P 2JT Tel: 01-588 2868 01 623 2246				
Emer Gth Fd In	59.57	63.20	+0.30	1.80
Emr Gth Fd Ac	60.02	63.66	+0.30	1.80
Fellowship Inc	69.15	63.54●	-0.18	1.90
General Inc 4	254.0	270.2	+7.6	3.17
Do Acc 4	418.5	455.1	+13.1	3.17
Income Fd 3	136.7	145.0	+2.0	4.70
Do Acc 3	257.4	273.1	+3.7	4.70
Int Income 2	105.3	111.4●	+0.9	2.60
Do Acc 2	148.7	159.8	+2.0	2.60
Smr Inc 5	97.27	103.5	+0.39	2.00
Do Acc	105.7	112.1	+0.5	2.00
BURRAGE UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD				
117 Fenchurch Street London EC3M 5AL Tel: 01-480 7216				
Brit Gt Fxd Int	51.47	52.15	+0.05	1.38
CANNON FUND MANAGERS				
1, Olympic Way, Wembley Middx HA9 0NB Tel: 01-902 8876				
Growth	33.02	35.13a	+0.10	2.82

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UNLISTED SECURITIES

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THIRD MARKET

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INVESTMENT TRUSTS

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FOREIGN EXCHANGES

Sterling index compared with 1975 was down at 75.3 (day's range 75.3-75.4).

STERLING SPOT AND FORWARD RATES

Market rates for September 21

	Range	Close	1 month	3 month
New Yrk	1.6745-1.6825	1.6745-1.6755	0.49-0.46pr	1.49-1.44pr
Montrl	2.0387-2.0510	2.0387-2.0424	0.33-0.19pr	0.80-0.43pr
Amstrdm	3.5347-3.5466	3.5374-3.5412	1¾-1⅝pr	5¼-5⅛pr
Brussels	65.67-66.00	65.57-65.66	31-20pr	81-65pr
Copnhgn	12.0322-12.0530	12.0332-12.0432	4¼-3⅝pr	11⅝-10⅝pr
Dublin	1.1675-1.1716	1.1689-1.1699	49-42pr	142-130 prm
Frankft	3.1390-3.1433	3.1398-3.1433	1⅝-1½pr	5½-5⅜pr
Lisbon	257.28-259.27	257.28-259.27	16-58ds	45-140ds
Madrid	208.87-209.88	208.87-209.33	28-12pr	69-51pr
Milan	2334.11-2340.39	2334.11-2337.18	2pr-1ds	6-1pr
Oslo	11.5642-11.5857	11.5642-11.5761	¾-1¼ds	3¾-4¼ds
Paris	10.6563-10.6865	10.6563-10.6677	3½-3⅛pr	11-10⅜pr
Stckhlm	10.7702-10.7983	10.7702-10.7800	1⅝-1½pr	4⅝-3⅝pr
Tokyo	224.62-225.09	224.70-225.00	1⅝-1⅜pr	4-3⅝pr
Vienna	22.02-22.12	22.05-22.09	11⅞-11pr	34½-31⅞pr
Zurich	2.6507-2.6556	2.6507-2.6539	2-1⅞pr	5⅝-5⅜pr

Premium = pr. Discount = ds.

OTHER STERLING RATES

Argentina austral*	23.7083-23.8566
Australia dollar	2.1508-2.1549
Bahrain dinar	0.6320-0.6360
Brazil cruzado*	553.08-556.20
Cyprus pound	0.8075-0.8175
Finland marka	7.4085-7.4214
Greece drachma	253.76-254.78
Hong Kong dollar	13.0864-13.0960
India rupee	24.32-24.52
Kuwait dinar KD	0.4810-0.4850
Malaysia ringgit	4.4652-4.4696
Mexico peso	3770-3870
New Zealand dollar	2.7399-2.7462
Saudi Arabia riyal	6.2875-6.3275
Singapore dollar	3.4146-3.4184
S Africa rand (fin)	6.5048-6.6377
S Africa rand (com)	4.1418-4.1494
U A E dirham	6.1550-6.1950

*Lloyds Bank. Rates supplied by Extel and Barclays Bank HOFEX

DOLLAR SPOT RATES

Ireland	1.4330-1.4345	Denmark	7.1860-7.1910	Italy	1394.0-1395.0
Singapore	2.0380-2.0390	W Germany	1.8745-1.8752	Belgium (Com)	39.27-39.30
Malaysia	2.6650-2.6660	Switzerland	1.5830-1.5840	Hong Kong	7.8105-7.8115
Australia	1.2837-1.2853	Netherlands	2.1140-2.1150	Portugal	154.10-154.60
Canada	1.2175-1.2185	France	6.3660-6.3710	Spain	124.85-124.95
Sweden	6.4350-6.4400	Japan	134.13-134.23	Austria	13.17-13.18
Norway	6.9000-6.9050				

Rates supplied by Barclays Bank HOFEX and Extel.

MONEY MARKETS

Base Rates %: Clearing Banks 12 Finance Hse 11
Discount Market Loans %
Overnight High: 10% Low 10 Week fixed: 10%
Treasury Bills (Discount %)
Buying: 2 mth – 11¹¹⁄₁₆ 3 mth – 11¹¹⁄₁₆
Selling: 2 mth – 11⁹⁄₁₆ 3 mth – 11⁹⁄₁₆
Prime Bank Bills (Discount %): 1 mth: 11¹³⁄₃₂-11¹¹⁄₃₂
2 mth: 11²⁷⁄₃₂-11% 3 mth: 11²⁷⁄₃₂-11% 6 mth 11¾-11½
Trade Bills (Discount %): 1 mth: 12⁵⁄₃₂
2 mth: 12¹¹⁄₃₂ 3 mth: 12¹¹⁄₃₂ 6 mth 11¾-11½
Interbank (%). Overnight: open 10% close 10½
1 week: 11-10¾ 1 mth: 11¹¹⁄₁₆-11⅝ 3 mth: 12⅛-12
6 mth: 12¼-12⅛ 9 mth: 12¼-12⅛ 12 mth: 12¼-12⅛
Local Authority Deposits (%)
2 day: 10% 7 day: 10¾ 1 mth: 11¾
3 mth: 12 6 mth: 12¼ 12 mth: 12¼
Local Authority Bonds (%)
1 mth: 11¾-11⅝ 2 mth: 12⅛-12¼ 3 mth: 12½-12⅜
6 mth: 12¾-12⅜ 9 mth: 12⅜-12¼ 12 mth: 12½-12⅜
Sterling CDs (%): 1 mth: 11¾-11½
3 mth: 12¹⁄₁₆-11⅞ 6 mth: 12¹⁄₁₆-11⅞ 12 mth 11⅞-11¾
Dollar CDs (%): 1 mth: 8.15-8.10
3 mth: 8.25-8.20 6 mth: 8.55-8.50 12 mth 8.70-8.65

ECGD

Fixed Rate Sterling Export Finance. Make-up day: August 31, 1988. Agreed rates Sept 26, 1988 to Oct 25, 1988. Scheme I: 12.27 per cent. Schemes II & III: 12.72 per cent. Reference rate July 30, 1988 to August 31, 1988. Scheme IV & V: 11.364 per cent.

EURO MONEY DEPOSITS %

Currency	7 day	1 mth	3 mth	6 mth
Dollar:	8¹⁄₁₆-7¹³⁄₁₆	8⁵⁄₁₆-8¹⁄₁₆	8¼-8⅛	8½-8⅜
Call: 8-7				
Deutschemark:	4¹⁵⁄₁₆-4¹³⁄₁₆	4¹⁵⁄₁₆-4¹³⁄₁₆	4¹⁵⁄₁₆-4¹³⁄₁₆	5⅛-5⅛
Call: 4¼-3¾				
French Franc:	7½-7⅛	7⅜-7⅛	7⅜-7⅛	8⅛-8
Call: 7¼-6½				
Swiss Franc:	2½-2⅛	3⅛-3	3⅜-3⅛	3⅝-3⅜
Call: 3-2				
Yen:	7⅛-6⅞	5⅜-5¼	5¹⁄₁₆-4¹⁵⁄₁₆	5¹⁄₁₆-4¹⁵⁄₁₆
Call: 3⅛-2¾				

GOLD

BULLION:
Open: $401.75-402.25 Close: $401.00-401.50
High: $402.75-403.25 Low: $396.75-397.50

COINS: Per coin (Ex VAT)
Britannia: $412.00-417.00 (£245.75-248.75)
Krugerrand: $400.00-403.00 (£238.50-240.50)
Mapleleaf (1/1oz): $412.00-417.00 (£245.75-248.75)
American Eagles: $412.00-417.00 (£245.75-248.75)
New Sovereigns: $95.50-96.50 (£57.00-57.75)
Old Sovereigns: $95.50-97.00 (£57.00-58.00)
Platinum: $492.75 (£293.75)
Palladium: $118.50 (£71.30)
Silver: $6.21-6.23 (£3.705-3.720)

LONDON FINANCIAL FUTURES

	Open	High	Low	Close	Vol
Three Month Sterling			Previous open interest 48386		
Sep 88	87.92	87.92	87.81	87.82	595
Dec 88	87.88	87.90	87.77	87.81	18550
Mar 89	88.37	88.43	88.30	88.33	1345
Jun 89	88.62	88.68	88.57	88.62	431
Sep 89	88.87	88.89	88.80	88.87	170
Dec 89	88.90	88.90	88.90	88.89	2
Three Month Eurodollar			Previous open interest 27652		
Dec 88	91.33	91.39	91.37	91.37	4453
Mar 89	91.37	91.42	91.36	91.39	1077
Jun 89	91.15	91.20	91.13	91.19	312
Sep 89	90.94	90.97	90.92	90.97	113
Dec 89	NT			90.77	0
Mar 90	90.74	90.74	90.74	90.77	12
US Treasury Bond			Previous open interest 5274		
Sep 88	88-25	88-25	88-22	88-24	126
Dec 88	87-30	88-16	87-30	88-05	10162
Long Gilt			Previous open interest 28845		
Sep 88	93-29	93-29	93-29	93-27	10
Dec 88	94-02	94-17	93-31	94-06	20947
Mar 89	NT			94-21	0
FT-SE 100			Previous open interest 13657		
Sep 88	178.60	178.90	178.00	178.85	2312
Dec 88	180.20	180.60	179.70	180.60	1009
Japanese Govt Bond			Previous open interest 481		
Dec 88	101.85	102.26	101.80	102.07	748
Mar 89	NT			101.02	0

COMMODITIES

ICIS-LOR Group

Crude prices failed to hold on to the price recovery made after publication of API statistics in thin trading, as the market waited for the week-end Opec pricing meeting. Product prices were soft in a generally quiet market.

CRUDE OILS/assessed ($/BBL FOB)

Brent Phys	13.10	-5
15 day Oct	13.35	-5
15 day Nov	13.50	-10
WTI Nov	14.55	
WTI Dec	14.30	

PRODUCTS Buy/sell $/MT.
Spot CIF NW Euro - prompt delivery

Prem Gas .15		170-171		
Gasoil EEC	-1	122-124	-1	
Non 2H Sep		120-122		
Non 1H Oct	-1	120-121	-1	
3.5 Fuel Oil		60-62	+1	
Naphtha		132-133	-1	

BIFFEX
GNI Freight Futures Dry Cargo ($10/pt)
Sep 88 Hi 1310-1304 Low Close 1304.0
Oct 88 Hi 1430-1408 Low Close 1425.0
Jan 89 Hi 1488-1468 Low Close 1488.0
Apr 89 Hi 1530-1516 Low Close 1525.0
Vol 213 lots Open interest 2557
Dry cargo index 1285.0 -3.0 on 20/9/88

IPE FUTURES

GAS OIL G W Joynson
Oct 120.50-20.25
Nov 122.25-22.00
Dec 124.25-24.00
Jan 124.25-24.00
Feb 123.25-23.00
Mar 122.00-21.75
Apr 118.50-18.00
Vol 2535

BRENT G W Joynson
Nov 13.55-13.52
Dec 13.70-13.60
Vol 2209

LONDON POTATO FUTURES (£/tonne)

Mth	Open	Close
Nov	55.30	55.30
Feb	64.30	65.30
Apr	91.50	91.70
May	101.80	101.40
		Vol 68

LONDON FOX

COCOA G W Joynson
Sep 845-843 Jul 793-792
Dec 778-777 Sep 812-811
Mar 770-769 Dec 855-851
May 779-778 Vol 4090

COFFEE G W Joynson
Sep 1160-1155 May 1085-1080
Nov 1139-1137 Jul 1084-1080
Jan 1110-1107 Sep 1090-1085
Mar 1095-1092 Vol 4805

SUGAR C Czarnikow
FOB Vol: 4788
Oct 219.0-19.4 May 209.6-10.2
Dec 212.0-13.0 Aug 207.0-09.4
Mar 212.6-13.0 Oct 204.0-08.0

LONDON GRAIN FUTURES
WHEAT close (£/t) Vol 212
Sp 107.60 Nv 109.15 Ja 111.85
Mr 114.40 My 117.00 Jn 118.70
BARLEY close (£/t) Vol 317
Sp 104.30 Nv 106.20 Ja 108.95
Mr 110.95 My 113.00

SOYABEAN
Oct 175.0-74.0 Jun 177.5-76.5
Dec 183.0-82.0 Aug 175.0-74.5
Feb 189.0-87.5 Oct 177.0-73.5
Apr 189.0-87.5 Vol 357

LONDON METAL EXCHANGE

Official prices/volume previous day Rudolf Wolf

(£/tonne)	Cash	3 month	Vol	Tone
Copper Grde A	1453.0-1454.0	1404.5-1405.5	272925	Steady
Copper Stand	1380.0-1390.0	1370.0-1380.0	Nil	Quiet
Lead	355.50-356.00	361.50-362.00	Nil	Quiet
Zinc Hi Grde	1295.0-1300.0	1273.0-1274.0	65750	Brly/Stdy
Silver Large†	612.00-614.00	624.00-625.00	78950	Steady
Silver Small†	612.00-614.00	624.00-625.00	12	Quiet
Aluminium	1374.0-1375.0	1335.0-1336.0	Nil	Quiet
Aluminium Hi*	2330.0-2340.0	2325.0-2330.0	313900	Steady
Nickel*	11300-11400	10300-10400	72325	Quiet
			10194	Steady

† (Cents per Troy oz). * ($ per tonne)

LONDON MEAT FUTURES (/kg)
Live Pig Contract

Mth	Open	Close
Oct	94.30	94.30
Nov	95.80	95.80
Feb	96.30	96.30
Apr	99.50	99.50

Live Cattle Contract

Oct	unq...	......
Nov	.....	......
Feb	.....	......

Vol Pig-0 Cattle-0

MEAT & LIVESTOCK COMMISSION
Av'ge fatstock prices at representative markets on September 21

(/kg lw)	Pig	Sheep	Cattle
GB (p)	73.43	147.04	110.54
GB (+/-)	+1.38	-8.93	-1.01
Eng/Wal (%)	+9.2	-25.2	-9.8
Eng/Wal (p)	73.45	148.11	109.52
Eng/Wal (+/-)	+1.36	-8.95	-1.25
Scotland (%)	-30.8	-13.4	+11.0
Scotland (p)	70.41	141.81	114.05
Scotland (+/-)	+2.73	-7.93	-0.77

* Estimated dead carcase weight

● Ex dividend. c Cum dividend. k Cum stock split. s Ex stock split. m Cum all (any two or more of above). a Ex all (any two or more of above). Dealing or valuation days: (1) Monday. (2) Tuesday. (3) Wednesday. (4) Thursday. (5) Friday.

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No.	Company	Group	Gain or loss
1	Nat West (aa)	Banks,Discount	
2	Logica	Electricals	
3	Burmah (aa)	Oil,Gas	
4	Textured Jersey	Textiles	
5	Costain	Building,Roads	
6	Utd Scientific	Electricals	
7	Slough Estates (aa)	Property	
8	Chemring	Industrials A-D	
9	Smurfit (Jeff)	Paper,Print,Adv	
10	BICC (aa)	Electricals	
11	WPP	Paper,Print,Adv	
12	Telephone Rentals	Electricals	
13	Bank Of Ireland	Banks,Discount	
14	Tarmac (aa)	Building,Roads	
15	Carlton Comm	Paper,Print,Adv	
16	Triplex Lloyd	Industrials S-Z	
17	ASW	Industrials A-D	
18	Delta	Industrials A-D	
19	Sears (aa)	Drapery,Stores	
20	News International	Newspapers,Pub	
21	Mountleigh	Property	
22	NMC Group	Industrials L-R	
23	Security Serv	Industrials S-Z	
24	Attwoods	Building,Roads	
25	Stag Furniture	Industrials S-Z	
26	Morgan Grenfell	Banks,Discount	
27	Securicor	Industrials S-Z	
28	Metal Box (aa)	Industrials L-R	
29	Storehouse (aa)	Drapery,Stores	
30	Portals	Industrials L-R	
31	Eurotherm	Electricals	
32	Copson PLC	Building,Roads	
33	Frogmore	Property	
34	Granada (aa)	Industrials E-K	
35	Reckitt Colman (aa)	Industrials L-R	
36	Smiths Ind (aa)	Industrials S-Z	
37	Boase Massimi	Paper,Print,Adv	
38	Gleeson (MJ)	Building,Roads	
39	Greycoat	Property	
40	BPB Ind (aa)	Building,Roads	
41	Br Aerospace (aa)	Motors,Aircraft	
42	Capital Radio	Leisure	
43	SD-Scicon	Electricals	
44	Ranger	Oil,Gas	
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MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	Weekly Total

STOCK EXCHANGE PRICES

Strong gains

ACCOUNT DAYS: Dealings began September 19. Dealings end September 30. §Contango day October 3. Settlement day October 10. §Forward bargains are permitted on two previous business days.

Prices recorded are at market close. Changes are calculated on the previous day's close, but adjustments are made when a stock is ex-dividend. Where one price is quoted, it is a middle price. Changes, yields and price earnings ratios are based on middle prices. (aa) denotes Alpha Stocks.

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DAILY DIVIDEND £4,000
Claims required for 58 points
ACCUMULATOR £226,000
Claims better than 58 points
Claimants should ring 0254-53272

1988 High	Low	Company	Bid	Offer	Ch'nge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
369	308	Provident	308	312	● ..	23.3	7.5	8.7
111	75	Rea Bros	74	79	●-1	6.3	8.4	14.7
149	94	Rothschild (J) Hld	142	145	+2	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
380	297	Ryl Bk Scot (aa)	343	346	+4	17.9	5.2	6.7
10	850	Schroders	850	950	●-25	22.0	[illegible]	11.3
575	407	Stand Chart (aa)	565	567	●+28	[illegible]	8.3	7.8
117½	98	TSB (aa)	99	100	● ..	5.6	5.6	6.7
595	500	Union Disc	485	505	..	38.4	7.7	11.3
355	276	Warburg SG	287	292	+7	15.3	5.3	7.8
133	95	Do 6% "A"	98	101	●+2	8.6	8.6	..
38¾	23	Wells Fargo	38	..	+½	..	..	..
458	[illegible]	Wintrust	445	470	●+5	9.3	2.0	16.0

BREWERIES

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BUILDING, ROADS

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CHEMICALS, PLASTICS

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DRAPERY, STORES

1988 High	Low	Company	Bid	Offer	Ch'nge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
402	337	Alexon	347	352	..	18.7	3.1	11.0
78	21	Amber Day	48	49	r +½	..	..	..
94	63	Aquascutum 'A'	73	79	+4	4.1	5.3	14.2
136	100	Ashley (Laura)	105	108	+1	3.2	3.0	15.3
365	330	Austin Reed	365	380	..	11.8	3.1	20.8
181	118	Beattie (James) 'A'	147	150	●+4	5.5	3.7	14.6
202	148	Bentalls	163	167	+2	4.3	2.5	24.5
24½	12½	Blacks Lsu	13	14	+1	0.1	0.7	16.7
643	230	Body Shop	575	590	+3	2.4	0.4	62.0
90	61	Bremner	80	85	..	1.6	1.6	..
54	33	Brown & Jackson	43	44½	●+½	0.1	0.2	33.1
350	197	Brown (N)	212	221	-1	6.7	3.1	13.8
284	185	Burton (aa)	200	202	+5	10.4	5.2	10.1
145	83	Cantors	122	127	..	3.0	2.4	10.6
93	60	Casket plc	65	67	+2	3.8	5.8	7.7
478	415	Church	435	455	●..	15.3	3.4	13.9
287	176	Coats Viyella (aa)	177	179	..	12.0	6.7	6.1
300	158	Courts (Furn) 'A'	218	227	●+2	6.4	2.9	15.0
570	400	DAKS Simpson 'A'	540	570	-5	12.8	2.3	11.8
54	41	Dewhirst (IJ)	40	43	●+1	1.3	3.1	9.3
217	146	Dixons Grp (aa)	155	157	●+3	5.7	3.7	8.5
239	154	Dunnal	202	215	..	3.6	1.7	15.9
97	38	ERA Gp	77	80	..	3.4	4.3	11.6
740	565	Etys (Wimbledon)	675	775	..	16.0	2.2	18.8
262	204	Empire Stores	240	243	..	7.2	3.0	30.2
286	191	Etam	212	217	+8	8.2	3.8	11.0
257	204	Fine Art Dev	219	222	+1	9.1	4.1	13.3
345	270	Formimster	315	335	●+5	10.8	3.3	19.3
76	50	Gent SR	62	65	+1	1.6	2.5	19.2
234	168	Goldberg (A)	228	233	+1	7.3	3.2	28.4
17¼	15½	GUS	16⅝	17⅛	..	38.0b	2.3	17.0
11⅞	996	Do 'A' (aa)	10⅛	10¼	..	38.0	3.7	18.3
46	32½	Helene Plc	33	34	+½	2.2	6.6	16.7
272	165	Hepp Robinson plc	180	183	+3	6.0	3.3	15.4
69	57	Hollas	58	61	●-1	3.9	6.5	11.0
212	175	House Of Lerose	177	187	..	13.3	7.3	18.4
67	50	Lewis Wise Gp	58	62	●-1	3.7	6.2	10.4
11¾	10¼	Liberty	11½	11¾	..	14.5	1.2	24.4
190	150	Marks Spencer (aa)	161	163	+2	6.8	4.2	13.3
380	286	Marxons (John)	283	298	-16	8.0	2.8	8.4
281	180	Moss Bros	190	210	..	..	..	24.4
289	198	Next (aa)	208	213	+1	8.4	4.0	10.1
565	340	Oliver (G)	475	520	+10	17.1	3.5	16.9
135	92	Pentos	99	101	●+1	1.9	1.9	11.3
274	205	Ratners Group	215	217	●..	7.2	3.3	9.9
96	65	S & U Stores	75	85	..	5.5	6.9	8.0
145	114	Sears (aa)	137	139	+9	6.1	4.4	14.6
337	246	Smith (WH) 'A' (aa)	251	253	●+3	12.0	4.8	19.5
325	200	Sock Shop	223	235	..	1.1	0.5	50.4
750	92	Stead & Simpson 'A'	110	114	-1	6.1	5.4	15.5
290	179	Storehouse (aa)	194	197	+8	11.7	6.0	10.7
15½	10½	Stormgard	13½	14½	..	..	..	20.9
182	130	T & S Stores	160	170	..	2.9	1.8	17.3
280	200	Tibbet & Britten	270	280	●..	6.5	2.4	22.8
151	94	Tie Rack	92	100	..	1.7	1.8	11.3
245	153	Time Products	215	219	-1	6.1	2.8	11.9
148	83	Underwoods	83	85	-1	3.3	3.9	25.8
161	85	Vivat	83	88	..	3.6	4.2	14.7
341	245	Ward White	273	276	+8	12.2	4.4	9.1
295	200	Wickes	215	220	..	1.8	0.8	28.1
233	160	Wilding Office	221	227	..	4.7	2.0	39.4
307	232	Woolworth (aa)	247	249	●+1	12.4	5.0	10.8

ELECTRICALS

1988 High	Low	Company	Bid	Offer	Ch'nge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
449	340	AB Elect	410	430	..	18.5	4.5	17.4
111	70	ABB Kent	72	75	+2	4.0	5.4	..
173	87	Admiral Comp	130	135	●+1	3.0	2.3	16.6
145	88	Alba	125	130	-2	6.0	4.7	16.3
321	209	Alphameric	248	258	..	4.7	1.9	12.0
234½	113	Amstrad (aa)	201	203	+3	1.2	0.6	11.6
126	94	Aortex Computers	117	122	+1	2.7	2.3	11.7
170	100	Arlen	108	115	●+1	4.0b	3.6	9.1
505	337	Atlantic Comp	485	500	..	9.3e	1.9	14.1
144	77	Audio Fidelity	132	135	+1	0.7	0.5	16.6
260	215½	Auto Sec	239	243	+2	3.1	1.3	15.0
66	35	Beacon Gp	30	34	-1	0.7	1.3	..
[illegible]	26	Bennett & Fountain	30	35	-1	1.0	2.9	17.3
377	302	BICC (aa)	358	362	+6	18.3	5.1	6.5
104	62	BSR	65	67	●..	3.1	4.7	9.7
208	133	Bsck	180	187	●..	6.1	3.3	13.3
122	85	Borland	100	105	..	..	..	..
193	145	Bowthorpe	164	166	-1	4.7b	2.8	12.6
218	175	Britannia Security	175	177	+1	2.7	1.5	14.4
260	193	Br Telecom (aa)	235	238	+2	12.7	5.4	18.3
27	19	Bulgin (AF) 'A'	19	22	..	0.3	1.4	12.1
398	312	Cable Wireless (aa)	374	376	+3	8.9	2.4	18.9
262	193	Cambridge Elec	225	226	●-1½	11.7	5.2	11.2
67	32	Cambridge Instr	58	60	..	1.0	1.7	19.4
67	47	Chloride	52	54	+1	2.7	5.1	24.7
243	200	Cray Elect	211	216	●+1	4.4	2.0	20.8
183	140	Crystalate	148	151	+1	7.8	5.2	7.2

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HOTELS, CATERERS

1988 High	Low	Company	Bid	Offer	Ch'nge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
258	188	Friendly Hotels	245	252	+1	2.9	1.2	16.4
535	430	Grand Met (aa)	485	487	●+1	17.3	3.6	13.8
457	322	Ladbroke (aa)	426	427	-½	19.7	4.6	14.5
30½	24	Norfolk Cap Go	201	..	..	0.61	2.0	23.4
146	109	Mount Charlotte	135	137	●+1	2.7	2.0	17.9
109	84	Queens Moat	103	105	●+2	2.8	2.7	18.1
19½	15	Resort Hotels	17	17½	●+½	0.5	3.3	11.9
11¼	723	Savoy Hotels 'A'	785	805	+5	6.9	0.9	23.9
115	61	Stakis	88	89	+1	2.4	2.7	14.9
266	211	Trusthouse Ft (aa)	254	255	●-5	9.8	3.9	17.5

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INSURANCE

1988 High	Low	Company	Bid	Offer	Ch'nge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
348	226	Abbey Life (aa)	312	314	+2½	14.8	4.5	..
533½	350	Allianz Vers	533½	..	+6½	..	..	..
20½	14¼	Am Gen	18⅛	..	+⅛	..	..	..
166	124	Archer (AJ)	130	135	..	..	..	..
245	208	Bradstock	230	238	●..	6.6	2.9	13.4
392	314	Britannic	348	350	●+3	18.7	5.3	..
407½	298	Com Union (aa)	338	340	●..	22.7	6.7	12.9
225	158	FAI	185	200	..	..	..	..
954	794	Gen Accident (aa)	870	872	+3	38.7	3.8	21.9
189	165	GRE (aa)	187	188	-1	11.6	8.2	..
450	364	Heath C E	403	407	..	34.2	8.4	13.8
183	134	Hogg Rob & Gdn	143	145	..	5.6	3.6	68.2
343	252	Legal & Gen (aa)	305	307	●-2	16.3	5.3	30.0
182	147	Lloyd Thompson	182	190	..	2.3	1.2	..
240	125	Lon Utd Inv	131	140	●+7	10.7	7.8	15.0
26	25	Marsh & McLen	33½	..	-½	..	..	..
220	130	PWS	143	148	..	14.6	9.6	6.1
547	410	Pearl (aa)	470	472	●-4	18.0	3.8	38.6
179	148	Prudential (aa)	149	151	●-2½	9.6	6.4	..
445	388	Refuge	438	442	●+3	25.0	5.7	23.4
436	358	Royal (aa)	373	375	●+3	27.3	7.3	..
245	189	Sedgwick (aa)	225	229	●..	16.0	7.0	14.9
320	152	Steel Burrill	210	215	●+1	13.3	6.2	13.4
364	233	Sturge Hldgs	235	237	●-2	10.2	4.3	15.0
10	785	Sun Alliance (aa)	985	988	+8	48.0	4.9	88.8
12½	10½	Sun Life	10½	10⅝	-¼	48.4	4.5	..
683	355	Trade Indemnity	565	570	●..	6.1	1.1	25.6
378	302	Willis Faber (aa)	228	231	●+1	15.3	6.7	12.1
75	46	Windsor	48	50	..	..	..	..

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MINING

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MOTORS, AIRCRAFT

1988 High	Low	Company	Bid	Offer	Ch'nge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
481	315	Appleyard	452	460	●..	46.7	4.1	11.6
159	116	Armstrong	129	131	●..	4.7	3.6	12.4
880	600	Bramall (CD)	550	660	..	6.1	1.0	23.5
621	323	Br Aerospace (aa)	453	456	●+8	25.6	5.6	9.9
578	410	Caffyns	495	510	-2	13.3	2.6	12.4
134	102½	Cowie (T)	115	118	+5	4.3	3.7	9.6
140	111	Dag Motors	120	125	●+2	4.8	3.9	9.8
219	185	Dowty	207	209	+3	9.3	4.5	10.8
473	385	ERF	400	405	..	12.0	3.0	6.0
288	205	FR Group	285	287	-4	6.3	3.1	10.6
158	118	Ford Motor	147	..	..	..	..	..
239	184	General Motor	189	..	-1	..	..	..
148	97	Hartwell Plc	115	119	+3	3.6	3.1	14.4
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[illegible]	50	Jacks (Wm)	87	92	..	2.4	2.7	18.1
358	238	Jaguar (aa)	242	245	●+2	14.0	5.7	7.2
180	145	Jessups	175	185	-3	7.5	4.2	12.4
143	100	Kwik-Fit	114	116	+4	2.8	2.4	15.8
148	95	Lancaster	130	137	●-3	4.5	3.4	10.3
420	277	Lex	355	357	..	16.8	4.7	10.8
192	120	Lookers	165	175	●-2	8.0	3.5	9.3
645	507	Lucas (aa)	571	573	+23	27.4	4.8	7.6
247	188	Perry gp	220	225	..	10.7	4.8	10.9
193	130	Plaxtons	183	188	..	6.5	3.5	29.2
162	70	Quicks Group	123	130	●..	6.2	4.9	6.6
147½	108	Rolls-Royce (aa)	130	131	+4	7.5	5.7	7.0
192	15	Rover	93	100	..	..	..	..
50½	28	Tricentrol	43	44	+½	1.3	3.0	12.3
687	347	Western Motor	557	582	●+1	6.7	1.2	9.6
110	75	Woodhead	98	99	..	4.7	4.8	5.3

NEWSPAPERS, PUBLISHERS

1988 High	Low	Company	Bid	Offer	Ch'nge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
183	98	Accord	85	95	..	4.5	5.0	9.0
150	85	Adscene	132	137	●+4	5.7	4.2	15.0
545	428	Assoc Newspaper	477	480	..	10.0	2.1	15.1
310	260	Barbour Index	265	285	●..	7.3	2.7	18.4
495	385	Black (A&C)	387	397	●..	16.3	4.2	12.7
251	210	Bristol	225	235	+2	12.0	5.2	15.5
93	27½	Chartsearch	67	70	..	0.6	0.9	36.6
610	525	Collins (Wm)	525	535	●..	16.3	3.1	12.2
540	426	Do 'A'	445	450	●+1	16.3	3.6	11.1
234	176	EMAP	193	195	+2	5.6	2.9	16.3
580	336	Haynes Publishing	525	530	●..	22.7	4.4	18.2
482	392	Home Counties	400	410	●..	11.7	2.9	11.9
133	90	Intl Bus Comms	117	121	+1	5.1	4.3	10.9
480	323	Independent	450	500	..	..	..	..
445	385	Int Thomson	680	690	-10	..	..	..
370	183	Maxwell Comm (aa)	184	186	-2	18.7	10.1	9.9
395	189	News International	220	227	●+6	5.4	2.4	..
378	243	Portsmouth Sund	280	245	..	7.0	2.9	11.3
471	378	Reed Int (aa)	403	407	-2	13.3	3.3	13.2
180	127	Trinity Intl	175	185	..	7.2	4.0	14.8
455	329	Utd Newspapers (aa)	385	390	-3	26.0	6.7	10.9

OILS, GAS

1988 High	Low	Company	Bid	Offer	Ch'nge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
84	58	Aran Energy	84	85	+1	..	..	66.2
11	4½	Atlantic Resources	5¾	6¼	..	..	..	..
36	27	Aus Oil & Gas	27	..	..	..	..	..
18	6	Aztec Pet	7½	8½	+½	..	..	..
10½	6	BOM	7	8	..	..	..	38.0
10	5	Do 2hp	6¾	7¼	..	..	..	48.3
486	455	Br Borneo	460	480	+15	31.8	6.7	14.5
183	162½	British Gas (aa)	165	167	●+1½	10.7	6.4	8.5
286	233	Br Petroleum (aa)	246	249	●+2	17.3	7.0	9.9
153	136	Br Petroleum Ptly	149	150	●+1	17.3	11.6	..
590	438	Burmah (aa)	516	520	+8	23.3	4.5	12.8
400	248	Calor Gp	373	377	+1	21.8	5.7	12.1
131	78	Carless	90	92	..	3.7	4.1	65.0
78	47	Caspen Oil	45	48	..	..	..	..
156	155	Century	168	172	..	8.0	4.7	14.8
148	101½	Clyde Pet	119	120	+1½	1.3b	1.1	59.2
680	257	Enterprise (aa)	652	..	●-20	13.3	2.0	38.4
127½	76½	Goal Pet	112	114	+1	1.4	1.2	45.2
133	103	Gt Western Res	105	110	-1	5.0	4.6	..
17½	11½	Hamilton	17¼	..	●-¼	..	..	..
200	160	Hunting P S	168	170	..	12.0	7.3	10.8
25	15	KCA Drilling	16	18	..	..	..	4.5

OVERSEAS TRADERS

1988 High	Low	Company	Bid	Offer	Ch'nge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
54	33	Boustead	40	42	..	0.7	1.7	18.7
153	117	Chillington	118	125	..	9.3	7.6	9.6
140	76	Finlay (James)	107	110	..	5.5	5.0	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Harrison Crosfield (aa)	627	632	+12	34.7	5.5	17.6
[illegible]	[illegible]	Inchcape (aa)	200	202	+3	9.8	4.9	11.9
317½	153	Lonrho (aa)	307	308	●+17½	15.8	5.1	14.3
71	45	Ocean Wilsons	43	46	..	3.3	7.2	8.6
355	305	Paterson Zoch	322	332	+4	9.9	3.0	10.1
355	305	Do 'A'	322	332	+4	9.9	3.0	10.1
380	240	Polly Peck (aa)	307	312	+1	8.6	2.8	7.4
98	52	Sime Darby	78	83	..	..	..	..
108	72	Tozer Kemsley	90	92	●..	3.3	3.6	9.1

PAPER, PRINT, ADVERTISING

1988 High	Low	Company	Bid	Offer	Ch'nge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
266	202	Abbott Mead	247	252	●..	6.3	2.5	13.9
44	32	Addison Cons	34	35	-½	1.9	5.6	8.0
271	238	Assoc Paper	260	265	..	11.0	4.2	11.7
430	275	BPP	335	375	●..	9.9	2.8	21.2
181	110	Barker (Charles)	143	148	-2	4.5	3.1	15.9
222	181	Bemrose	208	212	..	14.0b	6.7	12.7
301	225	Boase Massimi	230	235	+5	9.6b	4.1	11.8
244	175	Brunning	175	185	r ..	5.0	2.8	13.6
191	121	Bunzl (aa)	127	130	●+2½	7.1	5.5	11.5
615	578	Carlton Comm	610	620	+6	8.1	1.3	22.2
343	263	Chapman	325	350	-5	13.3	3.9	13.0
236	173	Cropper (James)	210	220	-3	2.8	1.3	9.6
487	357	DRG	455	458	●+3	15.1	3.3	17.0
155	86	Dewdnye Pearce	135	140	..	4.4	3.2	13.5
118	85	Delyn Packaging	102	107	-1	1.5	1.4	20.4
306	259	Ferguson Ind	260	263	+2	13.3	5.1	11.7
385	198	FKB	274	284	●+1	6.7	2.4	14.9
385	315	Fitch-RS	347	357	..	11.3	3.2	..

PROPERTY

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SHIPPING

1988 High	Low	Company	Bid	Offer	Ch'nge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
566	438	Assoc Br Ports	498	502	●+10½	11.3	2.3	15.1
393	320	Caledonia	343	350	..	9.3	2.7	39.7
186	125	Clarkson (H)	160	165	..	7.2	4.4	16.1
151	71	Fisher (James)	142	147	●-1	5.1	3.5	22.2
795	145	Graig	140	150	..	..	..	..
88	69	Jacobs (JI)	80	83	●..	5.6	6.8	16.8
435	283	Mersey Docks	363	370	..	..	..	21.3
300	232	Ocean Transport	228	235	●..	14.3	6.2	9.1
620	501	P & O Dfd (aa)	550	552	+10	31.3	5.7	12.9
152	113	P & O 5.5%	125	130	..	7.3	5.7	..
355	208	Runciman (Walter)	320	329	..	12.7b	3.9	15.3
428	313	Tiphook	390	405	●-5	7.2	1.8	12.0
217	108	Turnbull Scott	210	220	..	6.0	2.8	16.5

SHOES, LEATHER

1988 High	Low	Company	Bid	Offer	Ch'nge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
85	77	Headlam Sims	73	80	..	1.3	1.7	21.0
270	110	Lambert Howarth	130	140	●-2	11.3	8.4	4.9
309	145	Pittard Garnar	152	155	-5	8.1	5.3	7.9
265	208	Strong & Fisher	243	248	+3	14.7	6.0	8.8
380	235	Stylo	290	310	●..	6.7	2.2	..

TEXTILES

1988 High	Low	Company	Bid	Offer	Ch'nge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
380	300	Allied Text	348	355	●-2	12.8	3.6	15.8
285	228	Beale (John)	265	275	●+2	8.4	3.1	10.1
118	107	Beckman (A)	112	117	..	7.9	6.9	11.4
63	34	Bolton	55	60	+1	..	..	40.3
211	180	Br Mohair	205	210	●..	10.0	4.8	9.0
88	55	Corah	73	76	+1	2.2	2.9	21.4
285	208½	Courtaulds (aa)	286	297	+5½	16.0	5.4	7.9
133	88	CoxMoore	115	120	●..	5.0	4.2	13.6
246	187	Dawson	210	211	+2½	10.4	4.9	10.6
130	100	Drummond	110	114	●..	4.1	3.7	7.0
164	108	Foster (John)	135	140	●..	6.3	4.6	8.9
209	165	Gaskell Broadloom	204	214	●..	9.2	4.4	10.3
85	51	Hickmg Pentecost	83	86	●+9	0.7e	0.8	15.2
183	128	Illingworth	163	168	..	6.0	3.6	12.2
279	170	Jerome (S)	250	260	-2	8.9	3.5	10.4
314	229	Lamont	270	272	-4	9.6	3.5	10.3
405	295	Leeds	330	340	-5	8.9	2.7	11.7
142	110	Lister	131	135	●..	5.3	4.0	8.6
84	68	Lyles (S)	75	80	..	4.5	5.8	18.3
320	250	Mackay (Hugh)	305	325	..	9.6	3.0	14.8
57	41	Munton	47	50	..	..	..	..
210	153	Parkland 'A'	195	200	..	7.6	3.8	10.7
81	62	Readicut	70	71	..	3.6	5.1	9.6
171	137½	SEET	135	142	●..	7.1	5.1	13.1
126	97	Seljui	106	108	..	6.9	6.4	13.3
120	90	Smallshaw (R)	95	105	..	13.4	13.4	8.7
75	53	Stoddard	50	55	●-1	3.0	5.7	7.1
212	167	Textured Jersey	175	182	●+4	9.3	5.2	15.0
585	412	Tomkinsons	525	545	..	10.7	2.0	14.5
123	52	Tootal	96½	97½	+2	6.2	6.4	8.8
53	25	West Trust	43	46	..	..	..	..
250	193	Yorklyde	228	238	..	11.0b	4.7	7.8

TOBACCOS

1988 High	Low	Company	Bid	Offer	Ch'nge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
483	398	BAT (aa)	432	434	●-1	24.0	5.5	8.9
150	125	Carroll	130	140	..	..	..	..
447	365	Rothmans 'B' (aa)	440	440	+15	13.3	3.0	9.6

● Ex dividend a Ex all b Forecast dividend e Interim payment passed f Price at suspension g Dividend and yield exclude a special payment k Pre-merger figures n Forecast earnings o Ex other r Ex rights s Ex scrip or share split t Tax-free .. No significant data.

BRITISH FUNDS

1987/8 High	Low	Stock	Price	Ch'ge	Int. only yld%	Gross Red yld%
SHORTS (Under Five Years)						
100¼	94¾	Treas 9½% 1988	99⅝	● ..	8.5	11.349
102¼	99¾	Treas 11½% 1989	99¾	..	11.5	11.432
103¼	98	Treas 10½% 1989	99⅝	..	10.5	11.221
102	96⅞	Exch 10% 1989	99	..	10.1	11.258
104¼	98¾	Exch 10½% 1989	99¾	..	10.5	11.016
103¾	98¾	Exch 11% 1989	99¾	● ..	11.0	11.775
97½	92¾	Treas 5% 1986-89	96⅜	● ..	8.65	8.664
101⅛	94	Treas C 9¼% 1989	98	● ..	9.5	11.411
97¼	89¾	Treas 3% 1989	96⅜	..	3.1	8.661
102⅝	96¾	Treas 5% 1989	97	..	8.2	9.812
107¼	102⅝	Treas 13% 1990	102⅝	..	12.6	10.551
104⅝	100	Exch 11% 1990	100⅜	..	10.9	10.325
107⅝	102	Exch 12¼% 1990	102⅝	● ..	12.1	10.685
93⅛	90⅝	Treas 3% 1990	91	..	3.3	9.169
96⅛	89½	Treas 8½% 1987-90	95⅞	..	8.8	10.623
100⅝	95⅝	Treas 10% 1990	98⅝	● ..	10.1	10.930
91⅝	87¼	Exch 2½% 1990	87⅞	..	2.84	8.700
105¼	98⅝	Treas C 10% 1991	98	..	10.1	10.490
107¼	101⅛	Treas 11¾% 1991	102⅞	..	11.4	10.561
95⅜	87⅝	Fund 5¾% 1987-91	90⅝	● ..	6.3	9.945
107¼	98⅝	Exch 11% 1991	101⅝	● ..	10.8	10.491
90⅛	86⅝	Treas 3% 1991	86⅝	..	3.45	8.648
96⅛	92⅛	Treas 3% 1992	83⅞	-⅛	8.0	10.514
113¼	106⅝	Treas 12¾% 1992	106⅝	..	11.9	10.417
104¼	96⅝	Treas 10% 1992	99⅛	..	10.1	10.401
108⅛	98⅝	Treas C10½% 1992	100⅛	..	10.4	10.400
86⅝	82⅝	Treas 3% 1992	82⅝	..	3.6	8.348
96⅛	89¾	Treas 9% 1992	92⅝	●-⅛	8.6	10.440
112⅛	104⅛	Exch 12¼% 1992	106⅝	..	11.5	10.405
117⅝	108⅝	Exch 13½% 1992	109⅝	● ..	12.9	10.433
FIVE TO FIFTEEN YEARS						
97¼	91¾	Treas 8¼% 1993	92⅝	● ..	8.9	10.347
105⅜	93⅝	Treas 10% 1993	99⅝	● ..	10.1	10.302
118⅛	107⅞	Treas 12½% 1993	107⅞	-⅛	11.6	10.340
95	87⅝	Fund 6% 1993	88	..	6.8	9.007
121¼	112⅞	Treas 13¾% 1993	112⅞	..	12.1	10.418
101⅛	91⅛	Treas 8½% 1994	92⅝	-⅛	9.1	10.366
92⅛	52	Treas 8½% 1994 a	92⅝	..	..	..
125¼	115⅞	Treas 14½% 1994	117	..	12.3	10.336
116⅝	107⅞	Exch 12½% 1994	108⅝	-⅛	11.6	10.488
120⅜	105	Exch 13½% 1994	112⅝	-⅛	11.8	10.468
101⅛	92⅝	Treas 9% 1994	94⅝	..	9.5	10.198
106⅛	98	Treas 10% 1994	98⅝	..	10.1	10.226
114⅛	105⅛	Treas 12% 1995	107	..	11.2	10.432
82⅛	78⅛	Gas 3% 1990-95	81	..	3.70	6.594
106⅛	98⅝	Exch 10¼% 1995	99⅝	..	10.2	10.321
120⅛	111	Treas 12¾% 1995	112	..	11.3	10.324
126⅛	116⅝	Treas 14% 1996	117⅝	-⅛	11.8	10.433
101⅛	93⅛	Treas 9% 1992-96	94⅝	-⅛	9.5	10.027
133⅛	123⅛	Treas 15¼% 1996	124⅝	-⅛	12.1	10.402
123⅝	114	Exch 13¼% 1996	115⅝	..	11.4	10.305
105⅛	97⅝	Conv 10% 1996	98⅝	..	10.1	10.217
124⅛	115	Treas 13¼% 1997	115⅝	-⅛	11.5	10.276
108⅛	97⅝	Exch 10½% 1997	101⅝	..	10.3	10.213
98⅛	91⅝	Treas 8¾% 1997	92⅝	..	9.4	10.039
134⅛	118⅛	Exch 15% 1997	126⅝	●-⅛	11.8	10.418
87⅛	81⅛	Treas 6¾% 1995-98	82⅝	..	8.18	9.574
104	98⅛	Exch 9¾% 1998	97⅝	-⅛	9.9	10.149
140⅛	124⅛	Treas 15½% 1998	131⅝	● ..	11.7	10.331
118⅛	109⅛	Exch 12% 1998	110⅝	..	10.8	10.235
103⅛	95⅛	Treas 9½% 1999	97⅝	..	9.7	9.827
120⅛	111⅛	Exch 12¼% 1999	112⅝	● ..	10.8	10.230
109⅛	101⅛	Treas 10½% 1999	102⅝	..	10.2	10.116
107⅛	99⅛	Conv 10¼% 1999	100⅝	..	10.1	10.097
100⅛	88⅛	Treas 8½% 2000	90⅝	..	9.3	9.859
128⅛	117⅛	Treas 13% 2000	118⅝	-⅛	10.9	10.224
99⅛	92⅛	Conv 9% 2000	94	..	9.5	9.882
106⅛	98⅛	Treas 10% 2001	100⅝	..	9.9	9.874
104⅛	97⅛	Conv 9¾% 2001	98⅝	..	9.8	9.834
129⅛	120⅛	Treas 14% 1998-01	121⅝	..	11.5	10.398
98⅛	92⅛	Exch 9% 2002	93⅝	-⅛	9.5	9.810
107	94⅛	Conv 10% 2002	100⅝	● ..	9.8	9.902
118⅛	109⅛	Exch 12% 1999-02	110⅝	-⅛	10.8	10.242
105⅛	97⅛	Treas 9¾% 2002	98	..	9.8	9.877
OVER FIFTEEN YEARS						
108	100⅛	Treas 10% 2003	101⅝	-⅛	9.8	9.814
131⅛	122⅛	Treas 13¾% 2000-03	123⅝	..	11.1	10.277
117⅛	108⅛	Treas 11½% 2001-04	110	..	10.4	10.088
108	100⅛	Treas 10% 2004	102⅝	..	9.80	9.741
58⅛	54⅛	Fund 3½% 1999-04	57⅝	..	6.1	8.428
104⅛	93⅛	Conv 9½% 2004	98⅝	●+⅛	9.6	9.658
104⅛	93⅛	Conv 9½% 2005	99	●+⅛	9.6	9.633
113⅛	105⅛	Exch 10½% 2005	107⅝	..	9.79	9.636
127⅛	118⅛	Treas 12½% 2003-05	120⅝	..	10.3	9.877
92	82⅛	Treas 8% 2002-06	87	● ..	9.1	8.519
106⅛	99⅛	Conv 9¾% 2006	101⅝	..	9.6	9.581
121⅛	112⅛	Treas 11¾% 2003-07	114⅝	..	10.2	9.805
97	89⅛	Treas 8½% 2007	91⅝	..	9.2	9.420
137⅛	127⅛	Treas 13½% 2004-08	128⅝	● ..	10.4	9.829
101⅛	91⅛	Treas 9% 2008	96⅝	● ..	9.3	9.378
92⅛	85	Treas 8% 2009	87⅝	●-⅛	9.1	9.353
101⅛	92⅛	Conv 9% 2011	97	..	9.2	9.303
68⅛	62⅛	Treas 5½% 2008-12	65⅝	..	8.41	9.068
89⅛	82⅛	Treas 7¾% 2012-15	85⅝	..	9.0	9.237
130⅛	121⅛	Exch 12% 2013-17	125⅝	..	9.56	9.336
UNDATED						
44⅛	41	Consols 4%	42⅝	..	9.3	—
39⅛	37⅛	War Ln 3½%	38⅝	● ..	9.2	—
61	48⅛	Conv 3½%	61	● ..	5.9	—
33⅛	30⅛	Treas 3%	31⅝	● ..	9.3	—
28⅛	26⅛	Consols 2½%	26⅝	● ..	9.2	—
28⅛	26	Treas 2½%	26⅝	● ..	9.25	—
INDEX-LINKED						
122	117⅛	Treas IL 2% 1990	121⅝	-⅛		
103	99	Treas IL 2% 1992	101⅝	●		
95⅛	92⅛	Treas IL 2% 1994	94			
139⅛	127⅛	Treas IL 2% 1996	137⅝			
114⅛	103⅛	Treas IL 2½% 2001	113⅝	●-⅛		
111⅛	101⅛	Treas IL 2½% 2003	111	-13		
113⅛	110	Treas IL 2% 2006	112⅝	-⅛		
105⅛	95⅛	Treas IL 2½% 2009	105⅝	-⅛		
109⅛	99⅛	Treas IL 2½% 2011	109⅝	-⅛		
91⅛	82⅛	Treas IL 2½% 2013	90⅝	-⅛		
98⅛	88⅛	Treas IL 2½% 2016	97⅝	-⅛		
96⅛	87⅛	Treas IL 2½% 2020	95⅝	●-⅛		
81⅛	73	Treas IL 2½% 2024	80	-⅛		

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1988 High	Low	Company	Bid	Offer	Ch'nge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
253	188	Allied Irish	225	230	r +5	..	..	..
212	155	Anglo Leasing	182	189	+2	4.7	2.5	9.8
90	64	Ansbacher (Henry)	83	85	+1	2.7	3.2	35.9
259	124	Aus New Z	243	247	r -2	..	..	..
9½	5⅛	Bankamerica	9⅝	..	-⅛	..	..	..
263	184	Bank of Ireland	223	228	+5	..	..	..
18½	16	Bank Leumi Israel	17	20	..	..	..	..
350	315	Bank Leumi UK	340	360	..	16.8	4.8	11.5
399	334	Bank Of Scotland	357	360	+3	16.3	4.5	8.3
65	45	Bank Of Wales	55	62	..	3.7	6.3	8.5
463	302	Barclays (aa)	386	389	●-2	27.9	7.0	19.5
38	26	Benchmark	26	29	..	2.2	7.9	17.0
435	340	Brown Shipley	330	350	..	14.0	4.1	12.7
77	47	Bus Mortgage	50	60	..	..	..	11.9
384	318	Cater Allen	315	325	-13	30.0	9.4	11.0
71	54	Cattles	64	66	● ..	3.7	5.7	12.2
270	175	Chancery	233	243	..	8.0	3.4	14.0
17¼	11⅞	Chase Manhattan	17⅝	..	+⅛	..	..	..
15¼	8⅛	Citicorp	15⅛	..	..	..	..	..
200	162	Close Bros	175	185	-2	6.2	3.4	22.3
78⅛	65⅛	Commerzbank	78⅝	..	+1⅛	..	..	..
168⅛	114⅛	Deutsche Bank	116⅛	..	+2⅛	..	..	..
38	24	Equity & Gen	33	36	●-1	1.8	5.1	10.5
270	194	First Nat Finance	203	207	+5	12.3	6.0	8.6
74	50	GPG	49	52	-1	3.5	6.9	8.6
340	265	Gerrard Nat	265	275	●-1	24.0	8.9	14.6
125	90	Guinness Mahon	122	125	..	..	..	..
285	217	Hambros	222	225	-3	12.0	5.4	9.1
52	42	HK Shanghai	42	45	● ..	3.3	7.5	..
440	413	Joseph (Leopold)	410	430	..	17.8	4.2	17.4
158	135	King & Shaxson	133	138	..	12.3	9.0	13.7
427	321	Kleinwort Benson	335	340	-4	19.2	5.7	8.2
317	238	Lloyds (aa)	302	305	+4	18.8	6.2	5.2
57	45	Lon Scot Bk	43	46	..	2.5	5.8	11.7
446	370	Midland (aa)	419	422	+4	28.0	6.7	5.5
354	236	Morgan Grenfell	265	272	●+9	14.5	5.4	25.2
331	146	Nat Aust BA	322	326	-2	..	..	..
605	522	Nat West (aa)	550	553	+6	33.7	6.1	9.7

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GENERAL APPOINTMENTS

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Mike Jeans, a consultancy expert, offers a solution to the growing requirement for more competent executives

Generalist specialists, managers of the 1990s

Should pilots run airlines? Should doctors manage hospitals? Should actors administer theatres? Should engineers be responsible for manufacturing industry? Whenever the answer to these types of question is "yes", there are probably even more reasons given for the answer to be "no". Lying behind this debate is a fundamental dilemma. The world is becoming more and more specialist, with these specialities being acquired at a comparatively young age. On the other hand, there is a growing need for more competent managers.

How can these specialist requirements be reconciled with general management skills? Are we seeing an increasing requirement for the "generalist specialist", and, if so, how will this requirement be satisfied? How can we find and develop the entrepreneurial engineer of the future, like Morita or Sony, which can give strategic direction and encourage product innovation.

Much has been written about the state of management training in the UK and the need for improvement. Reports by Constable and Handy, published in 1987, concluded that the UK must *do more to develop its managers* and must do it more systematically. Since then, though not necessarily as a consequence, we have seen the emergence of such initiatives as the "chartered manager", new part-time Master of Business Administration (MBA) programmes, various distance learning programmes etc. During the past five years or so we have also witnessed the dramatic growth of management consultancy.

If top management continues to take more interest in this area, and if the quality and relevance of training is improved, then I believe we shall be seeing a new breed of manager emerging by the early 1990s. Most of these managers will have started their lives as technical specialists but, after an increasingly shorter period of time, they are being asked to fill management positions. The problem is how to enable such managers to acquire management at all, but time is no longer on the side of such a route — even if the individuals themselves had sufficient patience to await promotion until adequate experience had been gained.

Not only does this situation prevail in commercial and industrial organizations and the public sector, but it also exists within the management consultancy profession. Clients increasingly demand specialist skills ranging *from, for example, telecommunications* to remuneration planning. On the other hand, the same clients wish to be assured that such specialists understand the management context of any advice they may give. Again the demand is for the "generalist specialist".

There are three key elements to solving the dilemma. First, organizations themselves must *take the issue of development and* training more seriously. It cannot just be left to the training department to arrange. It must become a major concern to top management — a competitive weapon linked to organization strategy and individual goals. It must be linked to on-the-job training, coaching, mentoring and career development.

Second, training institutions *must do more to improve the quality and relevance of training.* There will need to be a shift from "teacher-centred" to "learner-centred" approaches, with recognition that most learning will take place at the workplace.

Third, individuals themselves must take ownership, showing more adaptability and flexibility. They need to see management training as an important and continuous process. Recognition is required that "specialist" training in, say, engineering or accountancy is no longer enough and that generalist management skills must be acquired.

For training institutions, such as providers of MBA courses, this demand has relevance both to the content of the programme and the time in his career at which it is appropriate for an individual to attend. The content clearly must *reflect* the need for a specialist to obtain an understanding of other specialist functions, coupled with the opportunity to acquire general management skills.

The latter will be difficult to *build into the curriculum* unless there is a clear understanding of the role of management. In terms of timing, my own belief is that this should be five or six years into an individual's career. Thus, the individual would be likely still to be specializing in a particular area and to return to that area with enhanced management skills. There is a danger that the more mature participants will be undertaking an *MBA* programme because they have reached a specialist career crisis and wish to become "resprayed" as a specialist in another field.

In overall terms, however, it would appear that MBA graduates are seeing such programmes as part of their management and career development by adding management skills to their existing technical knowledge. Of the 141 members of Cranfield's 1987-88 MBA/MSc programme, only 28 excluded general management as a career objective and even fewer, 24, excluded consultancy.

This type of management training is occurring at an even younger age with management modules being offered at some universities as part of first degree courses. In many cases, such modules form part of engineering courses. The original objective was probably to give engineering graduates a better understanding of management processes, thereby enabling them to become better (more rounded) engineers.

In practice, many of these graduates never enter the engineering profession and seek an initial job that can be more closely perceived as leading to a general management career. In this case, forgetting the well exposed debate on the role of engineers in society, it could be argued that we are creating the generalist too early — indeed truly a generalist rather than a generalist specialist.

Within the management consultancy profession, the issue is recognized. Entry to membership of the Institute of Management Consultants is dependent on applicants satisfying the requirements in relation to a body of knowledge and experience defined by the institute. This covers two main areas:

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By satisfying the requirements of A, it could be said that an individual has achieved a position of being a "generalist specialist". But we are still left with the problem of enabling people to reach this achievement level. There are no easy answers. It is *likely* that the *acquisition* of the qualities required of the manager for the 1990s will be sourced through a mixture of specialist training, management training, and experience. The experience needs to be *planned by the firms* and the individual. But it is unlikely that we shall be able to rely on experience alone in the future.

Training and well structured management and career development programmes will be required in order to accelerate the process whereby the skills are put in place to enable individuals to manage effectively at a younger age and to become generalist specialists. Recognition of the dilemma is the first step towards its resolution. A partnership between organizations, training institutions and individuals is likely to be the next step forward.

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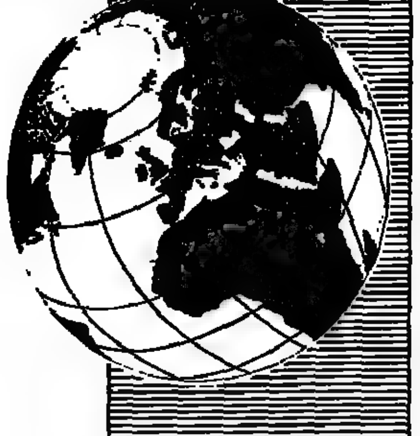

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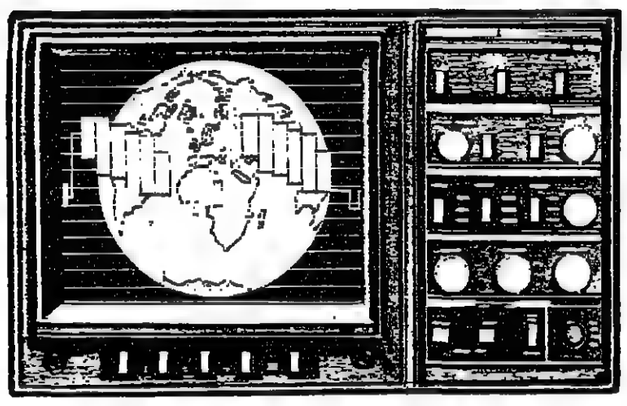

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Tourism beats terror

Despite its problems, the beauty and culture of Northern Ireland still brings in the tourists — aided by 'outsiders' who fell for its charm, says Ann Hills concluding a two-part series

Nearly 940,00 visitors to Northern Ireland last year brought in £92 million, and created up to 300 new jobs in tourism. The NI Tourist Board described 1987 as "a bumper year for tourism".

This year, despite increased worries about IRA activities, tourist centres from Belfast, with its annual November Festival, to Lough Erne, with boating and fishing, are still making a profit.

Among the leaders in tourism is Tony Lord, who became regional director for the National Trust in the province a decade ago. Before he arrived, from the Lake District, the trust headquarters at Malone House had been firebombed and records destroyed, along with a valuable collection of historic lace.

He took over in new offices, in a house set in the exquisite gardens of Rowallane, at Saintfield, outside Belfast, where the garden staff is headed by another "newcomer" — Mike Snowden, a Lincolnshire man full of character with a flowing grey beard.

Today, Mr Lord has 74 staff, 170 seasonal workers and 120 places on Action for Community Employment (Ace) schemes.

A total of £3.5 million has just been spent on Castle Coole, County Fermanagh, mostly on restoring the Portland stone exterior. The trust also owns the Giant's Causeway plus 40 miles of coast, gardens, nature reserves, a printing press, two villages, assorted islands, self-catering properties and a clutch of important houses — a portfolio which surprises visitors, especially when they realize the quality.

Mr Lord, who has a diploma in estate management from Cirencester Royal Agriculture College, Gloucestershire, and experience with the Church Commissioners, hopes to consolidate his management plans by 1991.

They include Strangford Lough, where the trust is concerned about wildlife in an outstanding, but fragile area, where seals could die from the distemper virus.

"We stopped plans for salmon farming in Strangford Lough recently," he says proudly.

On Lough Erne, the trust has been given the Crom estate by Lord Erne, but he says: "We are not looking for major acquisitions; we are keeping our eyes open for a working linen mill, cottages on the Antrim coast, perhaps a Victorian house in Belfast and a farmhouse in the Mourne Mountains.

"The trust here is more of a pressure group, working closely with conservation and environmental groups, and with government departments."

He believes that links with the Historic Irish Tourist Houses and Gardens Association are central to a growing network between North and South, which could help balance the books. With only 13,000 members and insufficient visitors, the trust in Northern Ireland relies on cash from London to meet the difference between £750,000 income and £1,400,000 expenditure.

Helping to make known the attractions of Northern Ireland is Fiona MacMillan, aged 27, public relations officer for the Belfast Festival (November 9-26) with up to 250 separate events. She publicizes an array of talent which underlines the revival of Belfast as a cultural mecca.

After reading politics and modern history in Edinburgh, Miss MacMillan launched into a career promoting theatrical groups and arts events in Scotland. Then she got an enterprise allowance to set herself up in Belfast as a press and publicity consultant, and worked for the Londonderry-based Field Day Theatre.

Miss MacMillan and her partner, Quintin Oliver, who heads the Northern Ireland Council for Voluntary Action, have become familiar voices on local radio in a society "with some of the youthful buzz London experienced in the late 1960s".

Graeme Hall, a "born again Christian" from Yorkshire, tells his four children: "Home is where we are." With his Irish wife, Joan, he has opened an exclusive top-of-the-range hotel in a farmhouse at Annalong, between the Mourne Mountains and the sea. He came to Belfast, in his mid-20s, in 1972 to work with teenagers and met Joan in a church where he was preaching.

Ten years ago they bought the Glassdrumman House restaurant complex, which they now run with shops and a garden centre. They were helped financially by the Northern Bank, support that enabled them to buy nearby Glassdrumman Lodge, which has been converted into a four-star hotel. It adjoins a farm with well-kept stock and visitors can borrow wellies for a tour.

Instead of becoming millionaires, the Halls set up a charitable trust and pay themselves a nominal wage. They believe that, if the time comes, they can move on — "perhaps to Indonesia or Thailand".

Holidaymakers setting sail on Lough Erne might encounter Lieutenant-Commander Trevor Clayton, of Lakeland Marina. He retired from the Navy in 1958 and spent 10 years in Devon, boat building, before moving to Lough Erne — a 150-mile stretch of unspoilt lakes in Fermanagh. Lieut-Com Clayton and his wife, Dorothy, used some of their pension to set up in business with sailing boats and motor cruiser. They acquired six acres, built their own house overlooking the water and increased the number of motor cruisers to the present 15.

In the 1970s, "when the troubles were at their worst", he decided to woo foreign travel agents — "the start of our Continental market".

Bringing in the visitors

Top left: Graeme Hall and his wife, Joan, started a restaurant and four-star hotel at Annalong, beneath the Mourne Mountains

Below left: Tony Lord, left, director of the National Trust in Northern Ireland, with his head gardener, Mike Snowden

Left: Lieut-Com Trevor Clayton, and his wife, Dorothy, run the Lakeland Marina on Lough Erne

Up to 60 per cent of hirers now come from mainland Europe. The Department of Economic Development provides grants towards overseas marketing.

The fact that he was English did not matter to the locals around Lough Erne, he says. "People help in a practical way and we are rather good with tractor engines at haymaking time."

The Claytons make a comfortable living and have amassed substantial capital in property, the boats and the business. Above all, they appreciate the special setting.

"The water is clean and drinkable. We love the velvet blackness at night, when you can't see or hear anything, and the nearness of nature," says Mrs Clayton.

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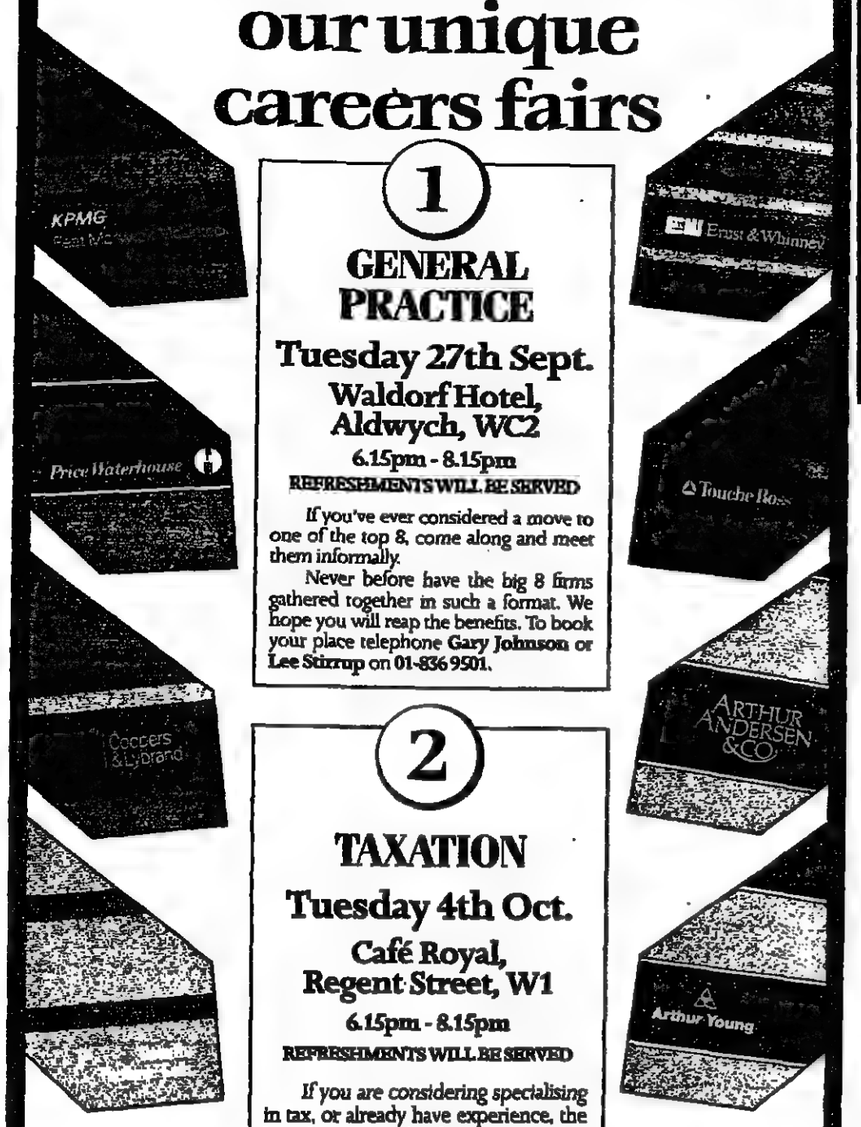

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Biochemistry (C700): Wales, Aberystwyth (6): Birmingham (9): East Anglia (8): Heriot-Watt (6): Liverpool (8): London, Royal Holloway and Bedford New (6): London, King's (9): London, Queen Mary (8): Manchester (9): UMIST (9): Strathclyde (8): Wales, Swansea (7): York (9).
Biological Chemistry (C702): Leicester (6): Ulster (7).
Biological Chemistry (Ord) (C703): Ulster (4).
Biochemistry, Medical (C720): Birmingham (9): London, Royal Holloway and Bedford New (6).
Biochemistry (with Clinical Biochemistry) (C722): UMIST (9).
Plant Biochemistry (C730): London, Royal Holloway and Bedford New (7).
Biochemistry and Pharmacology (C7B2): Strathclyde (8).
Biochemistry (with Applied Molecular Biology) (C7C5): UMIST (9).
Biochemistry and Immunology (C7C8): Strathclyde (8).
Physical Biochemistry (C7F1): London, Queen Mary (6).
Biochemistry with Biotechnology (C7J8): Birmingham (9).
Ecological Science (C900): Edinburgh (8): Leeds (12): London, Royal Holloway and Bedford New (6).
Immunology (C920): London, King's (9).
Physiology & Biochemistry (C950): Reading (8).
Pathobiology (Biological Response to Injury) (C970): Reading (7).
Brewing (C980): Heriot-Watt (6).
Immunology and Pharmacology (C9B2): Strathclyde (8).
Biology/Psychology (CC18): Aston (12).
Medical Cell Biology and Biochemistry (CC1R): Liverpool (8).
Botany and Microbiology (CC25): London, Royal Holloway and Bedford New (8).
Biochemistry and Microbiology (CC57): London, King's (9).
Biochemistry and Microbiology (CC75): London, Royal Holloway and Bedford New (8).
Biology/Chemistry (CF11): Aston (10): London, King's (9): London, Queen Mary (6).
Biology & Geology (CF16): Manchester (8).
Botany and Geology (CF26): London, Royal Holloway and Bedford New (8).
Geography and Botany (CF28): Liverpool (8).
Chemistry and Microbiology (CF51): Dundee (6).
Biochemistry/Chemistry (CF71): Wales, Aberystwyth (7): Exeter (6): London, Royal Holloway and Bedford New (7): London, Queen Mary (6).
Psychology/Physics (CF83): Aston (12).
Biology/Mathematics (CG11): Aston (13): London, King's (9).
Biology/Computer Science (CG15): Aston (10).
Psychology/Computer Science (CG85): Aston (12).
General Physiology and Mathematics (CG91): Salford (8).
General Physiology and Statistics (CG94): Salford (8).
Biochemistry and Plant Biotechnology (CJ78): London, King's (9).
Psychology/Urban Policy and Management (CK84): Aston (12).
Biological Sciences and Analysis of Science and Technology (CL14): Manchester (8).
Biology/Society and Government (CM11): Aston (11).
Psychology/Society and Government (CM81): Aston (12).
Biology/Business Administration (CN11): Aston (12).
Business Administration/Psychology (CN81): Aston (12).
French/Psychology (CR81): Aston (12).
Chemistry (F100): Aston (10): Wales, Bangor (6): Belfast (7): Birmingham (7): Bradford (5): East Anglia (8): Edinburgh (8): Exeter (6): Heriot-Watt (7): Hull (7): Leeds (6): Leicester (5): Liverpool (7): London, Royal Holloway and Bedford New (5): London, Imperial (10): London, King's (8): London, Queen Mary (6): Manchester (9): UMIST (10): Newcastle (6): Reading (6): Wales, Swansea (6).
Chemistry (with Additional Studies in France) (F101): Salford (7).
Applied Chemistry (F110): Aston (10): UWIST (6).
Biological Chemistry (F130): London, King's (8).
Marine Chemistry (F140): Wales, Bangor (6): Edinburgh (8): Liverpool (7): London, Queen Mary (6).
Chemical Sciences (F144): Leeds (6).
Chemistry with a yr in Europe (4yr) (F146): East Anglia (8).
Chemistry and Petrochemical Studies (F148): London, Queen Mary (6).
Theoretical and Computational Chemistry (F152): London, King's (8).
Industrial Chemistry (F160): UWIST (6): UMIST (10).
Polymer Chemistry and Technology (F170): UWIST (6): UMIST (10).
Polymer Chemistry and Technology (F171): UWIST (6).
Colour Chemistry (F176): Leeds (6).
Chemistry with Analytical Chemistry (F180): London, King's (8): UMIST (10): Wales, Swansea (6).
Biomolecular Chemistry (F192): Wales, Swansea (6).
Biological Chemistry (F1C1): London, Queen Mary (6).
Chemistry with Biochemistry (F1C7): London, King's (8).
Chemistry with Geochemistry (F1F6): Leicester (6).
Chemistry with Environmental Science (F1F8): Kent (8).
Chemistry with Computer Science (F1G5): Heriot-Watt (7): London, Imperial (10): Reading (5).
Chemistry with Management Studies (F1N1): London, Royal Holloway and Bedford New (5): London, King's (8).
Chemistry with French (4yrCourse 3rd yrAbroad) (F1R1): UMIST (12).
Materials Science (F200): Bath (6): Liverpool (7).
Materials Science (F201): Bath (6).
Materials and Microelectronics Engineering (F2H6): Liverpool (7).
Physics (F300): Wales, Aberystwyth (5): Bath (5): Belfast (6): Birmingham (8): Dundee (4): East Anglia (6): Edinburgh (8): Exeter (6): Heriot-Watt (6): Leeds (8): Leicester (6): Liverpool (7): London, Royal Holloway and Bedford New (6): London, King's (8): London, Queen Mary (7): UMIST (8): Newcastle (8): Reading (6): Salford (5): Wales, Swansea (7): York (7).
Physics (F306): Liverpool (7).
Applied Physics (F310): Belfast (6): Hull (7): London, Royal Holloway and Bedford New (6).
Applied Physics (F311): Bath (6).
Physics Applied with Semi/Conductor Electronics (F314): Heriot-Watt (6): London, Royal Holloway and Bedford New (6): Salford (5).
Theoretical Physics (F320): East Anglia (6): Exeter (6): London, Royal Holloway and Bedford New (6): London, Queen Mary (7): Newcastle (6): York (7).
Mathematical Physics (F326): Edinburgh (8): Liverpool (7).
Chemical Physics (F334): Edinburgh (8): Liverpool (7): London, Queen Mary (5).
Physics with Electronics (F340): Wales, Aberystwyth (5): Bath (6): UWIST (6): East Anglia (6): Liverpool (7): Reading (6): Ulster (6).
Physics with Physical Electronics (F341): Bath (6): UWIST (6).
Physics and Digital Microelectronics (F345): Dundee (4): Leicester (6): London, Royal Holloway and Bedford New (6): Wales, Swansea (6).
Physics with Solid State Electronics (F348): Exeter (6).
Physics of Information Technology (F350): London, King's (8).
Physics for New Technology (F352): Liverpool (7).
Physics with Electronics (F356): UMIST (8).
Physics with Planetary and Space Physics (F364): Wales, Aberystwyth (5): Leicester (6).
Physics with Laser Science (F367): Heriot-Watt (6).
Optoelectronics and Laser Engineering (F368): Heriot-Watt (6): Wales, Swansea (6).
Physics with Medical Physics (F370): Exeter (6): London, King's (8): Wales, Swansea (6).
Physics with Computer Applications (F375): Heriot-Watt (6): York (7).
Computational Physics (F377): York (7).
Radiation Physics (F384): Liverpool (7).
Physics with Astrophysics (F3F5): Birmingham (8): Leeds (8): London, Royal Holloway and Bedford New (6): London, King's (8).
Physics with Geophysics (F3F6): Bath (6): Belfast (6): F3FP PHYSICS WITH GEOPHYSICS Bath (6).
Physics with Computing (F3G5): London, Queen Mary (7): Salford (5).
Physics with Electronics and Instrumentation (F3H6): Leeds (8): London, Queen Mary (7).
Science Studies (Physics) (F3M8): Edinburgh (8).
Physics with Business Administration (F3N1): Wales, Aberystwyth (5): London, Royal Holloway and Bedford New (6).
Physics with French (4yrCourse 3rd yrAbroad) (F3R1): UMIST (9): F3RC PHYSICS AND ELECTRONICS WITH FRENCH UMIST (9).
Physics/Philosophy (F3V7): York (7).
Physics/Education (F3X3): York (7).
Astrophysics (F526): Edinburgh (8): London, Queen Mary (7).
Geology (F600): Belfast (7): Birmingham (9): Edinburgh (8): Leeds (8): Liverpool (8): London, Royal Holloway and Bedford New (7): London, Imperial (7): London, University College (8).
Geology (F606): Liverpool (8).
Applied Earth Sciences (F610): Birmingham (7).
Mining Geology (F620): London, Imperial (7).
Geophysical Sciences (F640): East Anglia (8): Liverpool (7): Southampton (8).
Geophysics (F650): Edinburgh (8): Newcastle (6).
Geophysics (Physics) (F656): Liverpool (7).
Exploration Geophysics (F660): London, University College (8).
Geochemistry (F670): London, Royal Holloway and Bedford New (7): Reading (6).
Geology with Mathematics (F6G1): London, Royal Holloway and Bedford New (7).
Oceanography with Biology (F7C1): Southampton (8).
Oceanography with Chemistry (F7F1): Southampton (8).
Oceanography with Physics (F7F3): Southampton (8).
Oceanography with Geology (F7F6): Southampton (8).
Oceanography with Mathematics (F7G1): Southampton (8).
Geography (F800): Belfast (8): Leeds (10).
Environmental Science (F900): London, Queen Mary (9): London, Wye (9).
Applied Environmental Science (F910): London, King's (9).
Meteorology (F960): Reading (7).
Biological Chemistry (FC11): East Anglia (8).
Chemistry and Biochemistry (FC17): London, Imperial (10).
Chemistry/Psychology (FC18): Aston (12).
Physics/Biology (FC31): Aston (11).
Biochemistry and Computational Physics (FC3R): Salford (7).
Geology and Zoology (FC63): London, Royal Holloway and Bedford New (8).
Chemistry and Food Science (FD14): Reading (6).
Chemistry with Materials Science (FF12): Liverpool (7).
Chemistry/Physics (FF13): Wales, Aberystwyth (7): Aston (11): Keele (5): London, King's (8): London, Queen Mary (5).
Chemistry/Geology (FF16): Wales, Aberystwyth (7): London, Royal Holloway and Bedford New (7): Manchester (8): Newcastle (7).
Environmental Chemistry (FF19): East Anglia (8).
Chemistry/Physics with Electronics (FF1J): Wales, Aberystwyth (7).
Physics with Materials Science (FF23): Liverpool (7): London, Queen Mary (5).
Chemical Physics (FF31): East Anglia (9).
Mathematical Physics with Astrophysics (FF35): London, King's (8): London, Queen Mary (7).
Geology/Physics (FF36): Wales, Aberystwyth (6): London, Royal Holloway and Bedford New (7): Newcastle (7).
Geography/Physics (FF38): Wales, Aberystwyth (7).
Physics and Meteorology (FF39): Reading (7).
Geology/Geophysics and Planetary Physics (FF66): Newcastle (7).
Computational Physics and Chemistry (FFH1): Salford (8).
Geology/Physics with Electronics (FFH6): Wales, Aberystwyth (6).
Geography/Physics with Electronics (FFJ8): Wales, Aberystwyth (7): Salford (8).
Physical Geography and Geology (FF86): Liverpool (8).
Chemistry/Mathematics (FG11): Wales, Aberystwyth (7): Aston (13): Dundee (6): East Anglia (8): London, Royal Holloway and Bedford New (6): London, King's (8): London, Queen Mary (5).
Chemistry and Statistics (FG14): Dundee (6).
Chemistry/Computer Science (FG15): Wales, Aberystwyth (7): Dundee (6): London, King's (8): London, Queen Mary (8).
Chemistry/Pure Mathematics (FG10): Sheffield (9).
Mathematics with Materials Science (FG21): Liverpool (7).
Mathematics/Physics (FG31): Wales, Aberystwyth (6): Aston (13): Dundee (4): East Anglia (6): Liverpool (7): London, King's (8): London, Queen Mary (5).
Computer Science/Physics (FG35): Wales, Aberystwyth (7): Aston (11): Dundee (4): Liverpool (7): London, King's (8): London, Queen Mary (8): Manchester (10).
Physics/Pure Mathematics (FG3C): Wales, Aberystwyth (6).
Geography and Mathematics (FG81): London, Queen Mary (6).
Geography and Computer Science (FG85): Liverpool (7).
Mathematics and Physics (deferred prog choice) (FGH1): East Anglia (7).
Computational Physics and Statistics (FGH4): Salford (8).
Mathematics/Physics with Electron (FGHC): Wales, Aberystwyth (6).
Applied Mathematics/Physics (FGJ1): Wales, Aberystwyth (7).
Physics with Electronics/Pure Mathematics (FGJC): Wales, Aberystwyth (6).
Geography and Topographic Science (FH82): Wales, Swansea (8).
Electronic Engineering and Applied Physics (FHH6): Aston (10).
Science and Engineering of Mat (BEng) (Prelim yr) (FJ25): Sheffield (4).
Physics/Urban Policy and Management (FK34): Aston (11).
Chemistry and Economics (FL11): Dundee (6).
Chemistry and Analysis of Science and Technology (FL14): Manchester (8).
Physics and Analysis of Science and Technology (FL34): Manchester (8).
Geography/Geology (FL68): Newcastle (7).
Physics/Society and Government (FM31): Aston (11).
Chemistry/Business Administration (FN11): Wales, Aberystwyth (7): Aston (12).
Accountancy and Chemistry (FN14): Dundee (6).
Chemistry/French (FR11): Aston (10).
German/Chemistry (FR12): Aston (10).
French/Physics (FR31): Aston (11).
German/Physics (FR32): Aston (11).
Geology/Russian (FR68): Keele (7).
Chemistry and Philosophy (FV17): London, King's (8).
Physics and Education (with Postgrad cert in Education) (FX31): London, King's (8).
BSc General (Hons) (3yr) (Y120): Cardiff (6).
Preliminary yr) (Y121): Cardiff (6).
Biomedical Sciences (Y156): Bradford (8).

Polytechnics

Astronomy
Hatfield: Y100.
Lancashire: Y400.

Behavioural Science/Studies
London (Central): Y100.

Biochemistry
Bristol: C111.
Coventry Lanchester: C111.
Hatfield: C111.
Huddersfield: F111.
Kingston: C110, CC16.
Lancashire: Y400.
Liverpool: C711.
London (Central): B940.
London (North): CF11.
London (South Bank): D401, H801, J801.
Thames: C111, F111.
London (North East): C111, Y100.
Stafford (North): Y100.
Oxford: CD14, CF11, CF13, CF16, CF18, CF1H, CH16, CN17, CW13, CX11.
Plymouth: C120.
Sheffield: F111.
Wales: CF11, CF13, CF19, CJ18, FC61.
Wolverhampton: C120, C121, CC1R, CF7C.

Biology/Biological Science
Brighton: Y100.
Bristol: C111.
Coventry Lanchester: C111, Y100.
Hatfield: C111, Y100.
Kingston: C110, CC16.
Lancashire: Y400.
Leicester: F900, Y400.
Liverpool: C111.
London (Central): Y100.
London (City): Y400.
London (North): BC41, CF11.
London (South Bank): B701, J801.
Thames: C111.
London (North East): C111, C601, Y100.
Stafford (North): Y100.
Oxford: C140, CD14, CF11, CF13, CF16, CF18, CF1H, CH16, CN17, CW13, CX11.
Plymouth: C120, Y400.
Portsmouth: C100.
Sunderland: BC1C, C111, CF1C, CF1P, CG1C, CG1M, CL1C.
Trent: C111, CF11, CF13, CG11, CG15.
Wales: CF11, CF13, CF19, CJ18, FC61.
Wolverhampton: C101, C120, C121, CC1R, CC1X, CF1C, CF1X, CG1C, CG1M.
Buckingham (HEd): J800.
Cambridge (Art/Tec): CF11, CF16, CF18.
Derby (HEd): CF19.
Humber (HEd): Y400.

Biomedical Science
Bristol: C111.
Kingston: B900.
Lancashire: Y400.
Liverpool: B900.
London (City): Y400.
Wolverhampton: C120, C121.

Biomolecular Science
Kingston: CC16.
Thames: C111.
Oxford: C140.
Portsmouth: C620.

Biophysical Science
Kingston: C110.
London (North East): C601.

Biotechnology
Coventry Lanchester: C111.
Kingston: CC16.
Leicester: F900.
London (Central): J800.
London (South Bank): J801.
Thames: C111, F111.
London (North East): C111, H801.
Plymouth: C120.
Teesside: H801.
Wales: CJ18, H801.
Wolverhampton: C120, C121.

Chemistry
Brighton: Y100.
Coventry Lanchester: F111, J501, Y100.
Hatfield: F111, Y100.
Huddersfield: F111.
Kingston: F111, F1NC, F1RF, Y100.
Lancashire: Y400.
Leicester: F111, Y400.
Liverpool: F111.
London (City): Y400.
London (North): CF11, F101, FF13, FJ14.
London (South Bank): F9G5.
Thames: F111, F201.
Newcastle: F111.
London (North East): Y100.
Stafford (North): F110, Y100.
Oxford: CF11, CF13, DF41, DF43, FF13, FF16, FF18, FF1H, FF63, FFH3, FG31, FG35, FH16, FH36, FN17, FN34, FN37, FR12, FR31, FR32, FV31, FW13, FW35, FX11, FX31, FX33.
Plymouth: Y400.
Portsmouth: F111.
Sheffield: F111.
Sunderland: BF1C, CF1C, FF1F, FF1H, FF1P, FG1C, FG1M.
Trent: CF11, F111, FF13, FG11, FG15.
Wales: CF11, FF13, FF16, FF19, H801.
Wolverhampton: CF1C, CF7C, F1G5, F1GN, FF1F, FF1H, FF1X, FG1C, FG1M, FJ1X, FL1C.
Buckingham (HEd): J600.
Cambridge (Art/Tec): CF11.

Combined Studies (Sciences)
Brighton: Y100.
Coventry Lanchester: Y100.
Hatfield: Y100.
Kingston: B900, C110, CC16, F3H6, F920, F970, G156, Y100.
Lancashire: Y400.
Leicester: Y400.
Liverpool: F900, F920.
London (North): CF11, F101, FF13, FF68, FG31, GG14, GG1M, GG54, L800.
Manchester: FF23, FG25, FG31, FG38, FH27, FH37, FW32, GG15, GH57, GW52, HW72, Y416.
London (North East): C111, C601, G501, H801, Y100.
Stafford (North): Y100.
Plymouth: Y400.
Sunderland: BC1C, BF1C, BF1F, BF1H, BG1M, BL1C, CF1C, CF1P, CG1C, CG1M, CL1C, FF1F, FF1H, FF1P, FF2P, FF3P, FG1C, FG1M, FG2C, FG2M, FG3C, FG3M, FG6M, FL2C, FL3C, FL6C, GG1M, GL1C, GL6C.
Trent: CF11, CF13, CG11, CG16, FF13, FG11, FG15, FG31, FG35.
Wales: CF11, CF13, CF19, CJ18, FC61, FF13, FF16, FF19, FF36, FF39, FF68.
Wolverhampton: CC1R, CC1X, CF1C, CF1X, CF7C, CF9X, CG1C, CG1M, F1G5, F1GN, FF1F, FF1H, FF1X, FF3F, FG1C, FG1M, FG3C, FG3M, FG9C, FG9M, FJ1X, FJ2X, FJ3X, FL1C, FL9C, GG1M, GH56, GJ1X, GJ59, GJ5X, GL1C, GL5C, JL9C, Y401, Y601, Y609.
Derby (HEd): CF19.

Computer Science/Studies
Brighton: G501, G521, Y100.
Coventry Lanchester: G501, Y100.
Hatfield: G501.
Huddersfield: G561.
Kingston: G501, G563.
Leicester: G501, G561, Y400.
Liverpool: G501, GG54.
London (Central): G500, G530, H611.
London (City): Y400.
London (North): FG35, G5N1, GG54.
London (South Bank): F9G5, G101, G501.
Thames: G501, H621.
Manchester: FG25, FG35, GG15, GH57, GW55.
Newcastle: G522.
London (North East): G501, Y100.
Stafford (North): G501, G561, G6R1, G5RC, G5RF, HN71, Y100.
Oxford: DG46, FG35, FG65, FG85, FGH5, GH56, GW53, GX51.
Sunderland: BG1M, CG1M, FG1M, FG2M, FG3M, FG6M, GG1M, GL5C.
Teesside: G501.
Trent: CG15, FG15, FG35, G501.
Wales: G500, G501, G560, G561, GG15, GG1M.
Wolverhampton: CG1M, F1G5, F1GN, FG1M, FG3M, FG9M, G500, G501, GG1M, GH56, GHM0, GJ59, GJ5X, GJMX, GL5C, Y401, Y601, Y602.
Dorset (HEd): G561.

Data Processing
Brighton: G521.
Coventry Lanchester: G501.
Leicester: G501.
London (Central): G500, G530.
London (South Bank): G501.
Thames: G501.
Middlesex: G1NC.
Newcastle: G522.
London (North East): G501.
Stafford (North): G561, Y100.
Teesside: G501.
Wales: G500, G501.

Ecology
Hatfield: C111.
Kingston: F920, F970.
Leicester: F900.
Liverpool: F900, F920.
London (Central): Y100.
Thames: C111, K300.
London (North East): C111, Y100.
Stafford (North): Y100.
Plymouth: C120.
Wales: CF11, CF19, FF19, FF39, FF69.
Wolverhampton: C120, C121, CC1X, CF9X.

Electronics
Birmingham: H100, H601.
Brighton: Y100.
Lancashire: Y400.
Leicester: G561, Y400.
Thames: H100, H301, H621.
Newcastle: F341.
Stafford (North): G561, Y100.
Portsmouth: HH66.
Teesside: H611.
Wales: CF13, FF13, FF36, FF39.

Energy Studies
Brighton: Y100.
Kingston: F970.

Environmental Biology
Lancashire: Y400.
Leicester: F900.
London (City): Y400.
Thames: B901, F910, F911.
Plymouth: C120.
Wolverhampton: C120, C121.
Derby (HEd): CF19.

Environmental Science/Studies
Lancashire: K201, Y400.
Leicester: F900.
Liverpool: F900, F920.
London (South Bank): B981.
Thames: B901, F910, F911, K300.
Middlesex: F900.
London (North East): Y100.
Plymouth: Y400.
Teesside: H801.
Wales: CF19, FF19, FF39, FF69.
Wolverhampton: CF1X, CF9X, FF1X, FG9C, FG9M, FL9C.
Buckingham (HEd): J600.
Derby (HEd): CF19.
Dorset (HEd): M901.
Humber (HEd): C9N9.

Fishery Science
Plymouth: C120, Y402.
Humber (HEd): C9N9.

Food Science
Huddersfield: BN4R.
Leeds: N750.
London (South Bank): D401.
Thames: B901, F910, F911.
Newcastle: N980.
Oxford: CD14, DF41, DF43, DF46, DF48, DF4H, DG46, DH46, DN47, DX41, DX43.
Plymouth: Y400.
Sheffield: D451.
Dorset (HEd): N721.
Humber (HEd): C9N9, D4N1.

Food Technology/Manufacture
Huddersfield: BN4R.
London (South Bank): N750, N980.
Manchester: DN4X.
Newcastle: N980.
Plymouth: Y400.
Dorset (HEd): N721.
Humber (HEd): D4N1.

General Science
London (North East): Y100.

Geology
Coventry Lanchester: F601.
Hatfield: Y100.
Kingston: F600, F920.
Liverpool: F920.
London (City): Y400.
London (North): FF68.
Stafford (North): Y100.
Oxford: CF16, DF46, FF16, FF63, FF68, FFH6, FG65, FH66, FW63, FX61, FX63.
Plymouth: Y400.
Portsmouth: F600, F612.
Sunderland: CF1P, F611, FF1P, FF2P, FF3P, FG6M, FL6C.
Wales: FC61, FF16, FF36, FF69.
Cambridge (Art/Tec): CF16, FF68.
Derby (HEd): CF19.

Home Economics
Leeds: N750.
Liverpool: N750.
London (South Bank): N750.
Manchester: N750.
Newcastle: N980.

Horticulture
Hatfield: D901.

Marine Biology
Plymouth: C120.
Humber (HEd): C9N9.

Maritime or Nautical Studies
Liverpool: J601.
Plymouth: Y400, Y402.
Humber (HEd): C9N9.

Mathematics
Brighton: G111, Y100.
Coventry Lanchester: G101.
Hatfield: G101, GG1M, Y100.
Kingston: G156.
Lancashire: Y400.
Leicester: G101, Y400.
Liverpool: GG54.
London (Central): G100.
London (City): Y400.
London (North): FG31, GG14, GG1M.
London (South Bank): G101, G501.
Thames: G501, G901.
Manchester: FG31, GG15.
Newcastle: G101.
Stafford (North): HH66, HH6M, Y100.
Oxford: FG31, FGH1, GH16, GW13, GX11.
Plymouth: Y400.
Portsmouth: G101, G150, G1F3.
Sunderland: FG1C, FG2C, FG3C, GG1M, GL1C.
Teesside: G151.
Trent: CG11, FG11, FG31, G1G5.
Wales: GG15, GG1M.
Wolverhampton: CG1C, FG1C, FG3C, FG9C, GG1M, GJ1X, GL1C.

Mathematics in Computing
Coventry Lanchester: G101.
Hatfield: GG1M.
Leicester: G101.
Liverpool: G501, GG54.
London (Central): G100.
London (North): GG1M.
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Pharmacology
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Physical Science
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Liverpool: F311.
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London (South Bank): F9G5.
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Manchester: FF23, FG31, FG35, FH37, FW32.
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London (North East): Y100.
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London (North East): H801.
Sheffield: JJ2M.
Sunderland: BF1F, CG1C, F201, FF1F, FF2P, FG2C, FG2M, FL2C.
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Better skiers enjoy natural advantages

Robin Neillands takes a look at the varied attractions of French slopes

Most committed skiers will readily concede that no country in the world can match France both for the range of skiing available and superb supporting facilities.

France starts off with many natural advantages, including three mountain ranges, excellent communications, lots of snow and sunshine and a ski-conscious population, but it is really for the keen competitive skier of intermediate ability or even better.

France pioneered, and continues to develop, her vast interlinked runs and lift networks, connecting neighbouring resorts across the mountains. There are now "four-valley" and even "12-valley" ski-safaris to add to this.

Every resort is investing money to link its lifts and runs to those of a convenient neighbour, and the day when one can ski along the lift and piste system from the hills above Lac Leman (Lake Geneva) to the foothills of the Mediterranean cannot be long delayed.

In skiing you get only what you pay for. In the French Alps, high-quality skiing is not cheap. A six-day *Trois Vallée* lift pass in 1988-89 will cost 895 francs (£90), a 13-day pass 1,645 francs (£165). A week's skiing in the top skier's Mecca, **Val d'Isère**, home of the Olympic champion, Jean-Claude Killy, will cost 715 francs (£72).

Lift passes are a good indication of the facilities available, and a rough guide to other prices. A drink in a disco can cost £8-£10, and lunch for two at the excellent Bistro de Praz, at **Courcheval**, £50-£60.

The bulk of the better French ski resorts lie in the Alps of Savoie and are served from the UK through the airport at Geneva — transit through which is one of the low points in any ski trip, but efforts are being made to improve facilities. Most Savoie resorts lie within four hours of Geneva by coach, but some, such as **Flaine** and **Avoriez-Morzine**, are much nearer.

Flaine, just two hours from Geneva, is a particularly good resort for families with small children, partly because the transfer reduces the cries of, "Are we there yet?" and partly because the children's ski school is excellent. It also offers *ski-evolutif*, the graduated-length method, which is said to take absolute beginners up to the parallel turn inside a week.

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The village has cinemas, a range of restaurants, the usual high-price discos, with most of the accommodation in chalets or self-catering apartments. **Valmorel**, a ski centre built around an old Savoyarde village, has become very popular with first-class skiers, both for its village ambience and excellent skiing.

The places that retain a French feel, despite visitors, are **Megeve**, a popular resort for the glitterati of *le tout Paris*, and the hotels and restaurants of Courcheval.

South of Savoie lies the **Dauphiné**, a sprawling mountain region that once provided a rather inadequate income for the Dauphin, eldest son of the King of France. Skiers usually get there through the airport of Satolas, near Lyon, which reduces the journey time to the Alps and offers the possibility of a side trip to Lyon, the gastronomic capital of France.

Top resorts in the Dauphiné, a region that is becoming ever more popular with British skiers, are **Les Deux Alpes** and **Alpe d'Huez**. Both of these are mountain villages made over into ski resorts and not post-war custom-built centres.

Moving south again, past Briancon into the Hautes-Alpes, a fresh clutch of small but attractive resorts has recently come on stream: **Risoul**, **Montgenevre** and **Serre-Chevalier**. Serre-Chevalier is on three levels — 1,350m, 1,400m and 1,500m — each giving access to the mountains above and offering skiing over 200 kilometres (120 miles) of excellent piste.

Risoul is linked to neighbouring **Vars**, while Montgenevre reaches out across the Italian frontier to the runs of **Sestriere**. All these resorts have good snow records, and being fairly far south, have lots of sun.

France has developed cross-country skiing — *ski de fond* — in all the mountain regions, but it is particularly popular in the Auvergne, notably around **Le Puy**, on the Aubrac plateau, and in the **Jura**.

The Jura also offers one of Europe's great cross-country ski trails, **La Grande Traversée du Jura** (GTJ), a real winter challenge covering covering 65 kilometres (40 miles) across the Jura mountains, and as much again in the *departement* of the Doubs. Information about the GTJ can be obtained from the Comité Departemental du Tourisme Jurassien, Prefecture du Jura, 39021 Lons-le-Saunier, France.

The Vercours plateau, high above Grenoble, is another great cross-country skiing area, and as a way to see the most beautiful and more remote parts of France away from the crowded piste and at a time when the summer crowds have gone, a trip on cross-country skis can hardly be bettered. Two companies offering cross-country skiing in France in the Jura are Inntravel, Hovingham, York (065 382 425) and Waymark Holidays, 295 Lillie Road, London SW6 7LL (01-385 5015).

Although there are downhill skiing resorts, such as **Le Mont-Dore**, in the Auvergne, the second great area for Alpine skiing in France is the Pyrenees. Down there in the sunnier south, ski resorts straddle the mountains from Cauterets in the west, across Andorra to **Font-Romeu**, high on the Cerdagne plateau above Perpignan in the east.

These resorts are reached via the modern airports at Toulouse or Perpignan, and offer a very different kind of skiing from that of the Alps, although the facilities are almost as good, and constantly improving. The big difference lies in the atmosphere, which is more friendly, with much less queue-barging. The prices here are at a sub-Alpine level — £33 for a six-day lift pass in Cauterets, which also has excellent cross-country skiing at the nearby **Pont d'Espagne**, £40 for six low-season days in the linked resorts of **Bareges-La Mongue**.

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RUGBY UNION

Salmon and Oti can prove their fitness for higher honours

By David Hands
Rugby Correspondent

Jamie Salmon, whose prospects of playing for England last season were dampened when he was overlooked for the first two divisional championship games, hopes to have recovered from a hamstring injury in time to lead the London division against Munster in Cork on October 1.

The game forms part of London's preparations, under the direction of Dick Best, for the game against the Australians at Twickenham two weeks later, the first match of the Wallabies' tour of England and Scotland. Successful outings against Munster will help earn places for divisional newcomers, Thresher, Oti, Harriman, Clough and Ryan.

Thresher, at full back, is one of eight Harlequins in the XV for Cork, confirming the good opinion he created last season. The same goes for Harriman, his club colleague on the wing and London will hope that another Cambridge Blue, Oti, who was capped twice by England last season, will have recovered from damaged knee ligaments in time to play, though he misses Wasps' league match with Harlequins on Saturday. Oti was chosen for the division last season but prevented by a hamstring injury from playing.

Clough, capped four times by his country, will partner Salmon, having opted this season to play for London rather than his native North. But another Wasp, Ellison, who did the same, must wait and watch the progress at No. 8 of Ryan, aged 21, from Saracens.

Thompson, who played at centre against the 1984 Australians, is moved to stand-off half, where he played in last season's cup final, but there is no room on the wing for Bailey, last season's divisional captain, nor at lock for the 1986 captain, Pinnegar.

It would have been instructive to see how Mullins, the Harlequins tight-head prop, fared at this level. He is among four forward replacements and played well for England in the Student World Cup in France last month and should now be maturing into a definite prospect for the senior side, or at least the England B XV.

However, the two Wasps and England props, Rendall and Probyn, maintain their places alongside Olver who played well in England's three B internationals last season.

LONDON DIVISION (v Munster): S Thresher (Harlequins); C Oti (Wasps), J Salmon (Harlequins, capt), F Clough (Wasps), A Harriman (Harlequins); A Thompson (Harlequins), S Bates (Wasps); P Rendall (Wasps), J Olver (Harlequins), J Probyn (Wasps), M Skinner (Harlequins), N Edwards (Harlequins), P Ackford (Harlequins), R Pegler (Wasps), D Ryan (Saracens). Replacements: H Davies (Wasps), M Hancock (Cambridge University), A Simmons (Wasps), A Mullins (Harlequins), C Pinnegar (Wasps), M Rigby (Wasps).

Holidays no fun for Cardiff

By Peter Bills

Cardiff's coach, Roger Beard, has questioned the dedication of players who take holidays during the season. He clearly had in mind his lock and captain, Bob Norster, and a flanker, Gareth Roberts, both Welsh internationals, who are in Menorca and will not be available until the start of October.

"It leaves us in a mess because we have several players injured," he said. "I suppose when you have two internationals who have been on tour, they have to go some time. But years ago, players would not have gone on holiday during the season."

Beard is also far from enamoured with the attitude of some players in the light of the club's moderate start to the season. "There have been instances in the club where you have got very good youngsters and 10 years ago, they would have really been punching to prove themselves. But now they just amble on and think, 'If it's my turn to play, so be it. I won't knock myself out'. It is a change of attitudes, I suppose."

Sponsorship plan warmly welcomed

By Mick Cleary

The fine dividing line between solvency and penury for most rugby clubs is the income generated over the bar. If that yield fails, perhaps because of a spell of bad weather and the subsequent cancellation of matches, then the annual accounts tend to make rather dismal reading. The aim of a recently-established company is to put an end to such a precarious existence by assisting in the management of a club's finances, primarily through sponsorship.

Last season Tony Carter, the president of Camberley RFC, used his own club as a guinea pig. He succeeded in raising over £6,000 through a simple scheme involving all Camberley's vice-presidents.

This small success gave him the confidence to set up a company on a full-time basis enlisting the services of, amongst others, the former Lions and Wales stand-off half, Gareth Davies, and the present Blackheath coach, Alex Keay.

Already Blackheath have benefited to the tune of £20,000, through a package which involves a prime sponsor and match programme and ground advertising. In the pipeline are deals with Cardiff, Bournemouth and Southend. No fees are involved for this service, only a percentage of whatever funds are generated.

Frank McCarthy, chairman of Blackheath, is delighted with the arrangement. "One or two members were slightly wary that the involvement of an outside concern might affect the traditional running of the club," he said. "This has not happened in any way. We have been able greatly to enhance our facilities, as well as improve our support to the youth sides within the club."

Money and rugby are not always the most comfortable of bedfellows. Although in favour, in principle, of sponsorship, the secretary of the Rugby Football Union, Dudley Wood, points out that a careful eye will be kept on all clubs to ensure the proper administration of monies. For his part Tony Carter says: "I would cancel any contract if I thought the money was being used to entice or pay players."

TENNIS

American young lions win through

Los Angeles (Reuter) — Andre Agassi and Michael Chang, two of the most exciting talents on the American scene, both cleared their first round hurdles in the $415,000 (about £250,000) Los Angeles Grand Prix.

Agassi, the top seed, despatched the West German, Christian Saceanu, 6-2, 6-2 in 57 minutes, while Chang, at 16 two years younger than Agassi, ousted fellow-American, Marcel Freeman, 7-6, 6-4.

Agassi, ranked No. 4 in the world, unleashed a series of powerful forehands to bewilder Saceanu, a serve and volley specialist who is ranked 68th and is a protégé of Boris Becker's former coach, Gunther Bosch.

Saceanu appeared unnerved by the barrage of ground strokes hit at him and double-faulted twice in the eighth game before dropping the opening set.

Agassi continued to produce masterly forehand winners in the second set, breaking Saceanu three times for a 5-0 lead before faltering briefly as he dropped serve in the seventh game. But the American broke Saceanu in the next game to win the match with a backhand winner down the line."Physically I'm great, but mentally I need a little time off," said Agassi.

Chang, already ranked No. 41 after only eight months on the tour as a professional, faced a veteran opponent about whom he knew little. Both players held serve in the closely-fought first set until games reached six all, although Freeman saved five set points in the twelfth game.

Chang led 4-1 in the tie-break only for Freeman to level at 5-5. But Chang broke through again as Freeman netted a backhand approach shot, then clinched the set as Freeman returned over the baseline.

Chang broke Freeman twice in the second set to lead 5-2 before his opponent attempted to launch another comeback, breaking Chang for 5-3 with a forehand winner, then holding serve for 5-4. But Freeman squandered two break points in the following game, then volleyed a backhand out to give Chang match point, which he won easily as Freeman netted a backhand.

In an earlier match, the fourth-seeded Swede, Mikael Pernfors, came back from the brink of defeat, saving two match points in the tenth game of the final set before prevailing over the unseeded American, Tim Wilkison, by 3-6, 6-3, 7-6.

● GENEVA — Guillermo Perez-Roldan, the second seed and world No. 13 from Argentina, made a surprise first round exit from the Geneva Open, beaten 6-4, 6-7, 6-3 by the Czech, Marian Vajda, ranked 79 places below him (AFP reports).

The racing driver for whom driving is just icing on the cake

One man at the wheel of his own destiny: Rouse and one of his racing cars in his workshop (Photograph: Lindsay Wilson)

When life is one great blur

The row of silverware lining the wall of Andy Rouse's bears adequate testimony to his success as a saloon-car driver. For the past 15 years he has been a hero to the bread-and-butter motor racing brigade, someone you could rely on to liven up a soggy autumn afternoon. The only difference now is that, through the BBC's coverage of the Dunlop-backed touring car series, several million more people have been watching, which means that, at the ripe old age of 40, Andy Rouse is beginning to become famous.

"I've noticed it more here in the office rather than on the racetrack. When I ring someone up they know who I am, and that helps tremendously," he says.

After so long standing on the shelf, some of Rouse's cups look a bit faded now, but one stands out proud and bright, the Tourist Trophy, won at Silverstone two weeks ago. It is Rouse's most prized possession.

When he talks of that victory in his mild Gloucestershire burr you get the feeling that it meant far more than just winning a motor race. And no wonder. Because that was the day little old Andy Rouse, with his own team, his own sponsors and in his own car drove right past the mighty factory Ford cars to win the oldest motor race on the British calendar.

That he did so driving a Ford Sierra, thereby handing the European touring car championship to his arch rivals, BMW, and annoying the pants off the Swiss-based factory team, was just one of those things, another notch on Rouse's belt.

Rouse has not lost any sleep about it. He has a business to run and, as that business happens to be preparing racing saloons, winning is good for business. Besides, the factory Ford team has not done any favours by contesting some rounds of his British touring car championship, quite possibly costing him the title in the end, so fair, in Rouse's gentle eyes, was fair.

"There was an element of tit-for-tat about that win," he recalls. "But it was a critical race for us, anyway, because we are starting to take orders and arrange contracts for next year. It came just right. I don't think the factory team saw it the way I did, but racing is racing. It gave me a lot of satisfaction, not just because it was victory for the underdog, but because it shows we are doing the job right".

Rouse has been doing something right since he began in racing at the age of 17. Since then he has been designing, updating, rebuilding, testing and driving racing cars. He began in single-seater racing but, partly through chance, partly lack of finance, moved over to saloon-car racing in the mid-70s. He won his first British championship in 1975, in a Triumph Dolomite, was involved in the abortive attempt to turn the Jaguar XJ12 coupé into a racing saloon and then set up his own engineering business in 1981.

He is now very much the boss. He arranges sponsors, prepares his own two Kaliber cars in his own workshops near Coventry, pays the bills and races his own car. Though it does mean that his business life and his racing life become one great blur, he likes it that way. He knows that, just as he accepts success, he cannot delegate failure, but he thinks that gives him the edge.

"It's a big advantage," he said. "We are in control of our destiny; we don't have to rely on outsiders, which puts extra pressure on us but also gives us that little bit of extra motivation as well.

"Most drivers like to get in a car, drive it and get out again. But I know that if I make a mistake it hits me in the pocket. For me, driving the cars is the icing on the cake. It'll be a big wrench when I have to let someone else do it."

The only problem for Rouse is sorting out which he is — businessman or racing driver. "I'm a businessman during the week and a racing driver and sportsman at weekends. That's the way I look at it. Otherwise I would be working seven days a week," he reasons.

Just to prove that the Tourist Trophy victory was no fluke, Rouse beat the factory Ford team again when revenge was in the air at Donington last Sunday. That victory was his ninth in the 11 championship rounds this season. Yet, by one of those peculiarities of motor racing, he still might not win the driver's title because his main rival, Frank Sytner, drives in Class B, so Rouse cannot beat him. He can only keep winning and hope that Sytner does not win his class.

Not a man to get flustered easily, he merely raises his eyebrows at the injustice and says that he hopes the scoring system will be changed next year. More importantly, the television coverage has given the touring-car series new life. Viewing figures of up to three million match those for the grand prix highlights and leading manufacturers and sponsors are flocking to take advantage of the exposure.

Next season Rouse hopes to campaign teams in both the British and European championships. But in the immediate future he has another engagement. At Silverstone on October 2 the factory Ford team is bringing over its menacing black-and-red Sierras to get their own back on Rouse's white imposter. It is not just business now; pride is at stake. If they win, BMW will benefit again. Rouse seems as unruffled as ever. "We still have one or two tricks up our sleeve," he laughs.

Andrew Longmore

REAL TENNIS

Australia takes top seedings

By William Stephens

The world's top singles players gather today at the Royal County of Berkshire Club, in Holyport, near Maidenhead. The men contest the Champagne Laurent Perrier Masters tournament, and the women compete in a singles event sponsored by the Roxland Recruitment Group.

Of the dozen highest-ranked men invited, 10 have entered. Two British professionals are absent; David Johnson, of Queen's Club, has a wrist injury and Michael Gooding is on duty at the New York Racquet and Tennis Club.

Five in the draw are Australian: Wayne Davies, the world champion, is the top seed; Lachlan Deuchar, the second seed; Graham Hyland, the US Open champion in 1981 and 1987, is seeded fourth; and Colin Lumley and Paul Tabley.

Chris Ronaldson is the highest-placed Briton. Under the practice of drawing the third and fourth seeds, he gained third position over Hyland. Britain is also represented by Jonathan Howell, from Bordeaux, Kevin Sheldon (Leamington), Chris Bray (Petworth) and Julian Snow, the amateur champion.

The women's singles draw is headed by Sally Jones, the British Open champion; Alex Warren-Piper, the runner-up; Katrina Allen and Lesley Ronaldson, who are both former champions.

The dark horse of the event could be Kenny Fellows, who has suddenly come to the fore by winning the French open. She defeated Allen in the semi-finals, and then Warren-Piper in the final.

SPORTS LETTERS

Straightening the record

From Dr R. E. Williams

Sir, The film "The Four-Minute Mile", recently put out by the BBC, in which actors took the parts of Roger Bannister, Chris Chataway, Chris Brasher and others, was rather wide of the mark in its portrayal of the characters concerned.

Many people will still remember the uplift and excitement which these three and other runners engendered in the early 1950s. They inspired a generation. But the scores of athletes who knew and ran with them at that time — and I was lucky enough to be one of them — will have found this piece of television sadly slanted.

The dialogue was a travesty of their reactions and behaviour. They were simply not like that. That very great Australian athlete, John Landy, must, one feels, be equally saddened by the distortions and inaccuracies of his compatriot's script.

In his fantastic race with Bannister in the 1954 Commonwealth Games in Vancouver, he was running against a much steadier and kinder man than the self-centred, petulent bore portrayed in these two programmes — a misrepresentation so astonishing that it is difficult to know what to say.

The BBC presumably wishes its viewers to believe that this is the truth about the young men who took part in these historic events.

Fortunately, many people in this country and abroad will know otherwise.

Yours faithfully,
R E WILLIAMS,
8 Limerston Street,
London E1.

Medieval influence on scoring

From Mr H. E. G. Courtney

Sir, Over the past few weeks I have read with must interest the correspondence concerning the way in which we score at tennis. The most plausible explanation of this mystery can be found in the older versions of the *Encyclopaedia Britannica* (c. 1900) and in the 1975 edition of the *Oxford Companion to Sports and Games* edited by John Arlott.

Back in medieval times, when the ancient game of royal tennis was in full swing in France, it seems that it was common practice for the aristocratic participants to bet money on the outcome of their particular match. It should also be borne in mind that French coinage was sexagesimal in the XIVth century, with 60 *sous* to the *double d'or* while the *denier d'or* was a 15 *sou* coin: hence the scoring "*quinze-zero*", after winning one point, or the more colloquial: "*Quinze: l'oeuf*" (ie 15 to me: and you have scored a duck (egg) — this was apparently adopted by the English in the form of "Fifteen *love*"; and quite logically, the score went up by one *denier d'or* (15 *sous*) for each point won: thus, 15, 30, 45, *game* (= *1 double d'or*). All this does seem to have the ring of truth, and it is generally agreed that the modern *quarante* is merely an abbreviation of *quarante-cinq* version of the French "*deux*" (ie "*two*" extra points to decide the game).

John Arlott states that clock faces were often used to record the scores, pointing the hands to the four quarters for the four points of the game: definitely logical, with both time and medieval French money being sexagesimal. This method of scoring may even be the reason why the French had only four games to a set in the early version of royal tennis.

The word service referred originally to the fact that the ball-boys of the early game were (paid) servants who would nimbly bring the tennis balls that they had collected to whichever participant called out: "*Service à moi, s'il vous plait!*" or, more briefly: "*Service!*" Indeed, the QED informs us that it was not until the end of the XVIth century that the word attracted its modern use of putting the ball into play.

One lone enigma does remain, however, and that is that no one can work out exactly why the medieval French decided to call the game by the name of tennis.

Yours sincerely,
HUGH COURTNEY,
Soilsean,
Tomatin,
By Inverness.

Master stroke

From Mr Tony Zalewski

Sir, I would like to inform Mr Richard Need (September 15), and indeed all the tennis teachers and coaches, and in particular the young, aspiring tennis players, that the follow-through is not an optional extra. It is a must. Like an appropriate backswing it is an integral part of a tennis stroke. It is an all important and conclusive telltale, a proof, that the stroke had been executed to the best advantage and effect.

In other words the follow-through indicates that there has been a correct assessment of the oncoming ball's pace and spin, and that the racket (of appropriate weight) has been correctly brought to bear on to it with, what is just as crucial here, the proper timing.

It needs emphasizing that the follow-through at tennis does not start at the end of a stroke. The contact between the racket and the ball is substantial in time and space, and not only because of the elasticity of the rubber and gut. It depends on the player and the stroke intended. In that time and space the racket imparts, so to speak, all the intended instructions to the ball.

There is only no noticeable follow-through in the case of a stop-volley, or drive. But there is such a thing as "hitting through the ball". The follow-through, as much as the flight of the ball, is an indication of a degree of success.

Yours truly,
A ZALEWSKI,
51 King Edward's Gardens, W3.

Seoul insult

From Ms Diana Taylor

Sir, Surely those competitors who chose to spend their day in Tokyo's Disney World in preference to the opening ceremony in Seoul are not worthy competitors.

Can there be a greater insult to the host country?

Yours faithfully,
DIANA TAYLOR,
Cahllers,
Sidlesham, West Sussex.

One for the notebook

From Mr Jack Griffiths

Sir, I was delighted to read your article on Ms Kim George's appointment to referee an FA Cup tie (September 2) and hope we shall see more and more women talking up the whistle.

One aspect of this advance will be the need to provide two referees' rooms rather than the conventional one and this reminds me of a story when I was due to officiate in a Football League match at Northampton Town in the 1960s.

The club officials were very proud of their refurbished dressing-rooms under the stand but were full of apologies over the very cramped referee's room. It seems that the architect designing the refurbishment was instructed to provide a referee's room and, as he was a non-sportsman, he had done just that and provided for one person.

With the appointment of a fourth official in case of injury, the occasional presence of the assessor in the dressing-room, and now the welcome addition of female referees, it would seem clear that clubs need to be quite precise when considering alterations to referees' rooms.

Yours sincerely,
JACK GRIFFITHS,
5 Jersey Road,
Ferring by Sea,
Worthing, West Sussex.

Ability to grow

From Dr B. D. Hughes

Sir, The salmon we have introduced to Barn Elms reservoir at Hammersmith were not reared in sea cages in Scotland and transported at great expense to London, as Conrad Voss Bark suggests (August 25). They were, in fact, reared on from parr in freshwater cages in a Thames Water reservoir.

This makes them very different from salmon reared in sea cages, and one might say that "to all intents and purposes" they are land-locked salmon, even if their parents were not. It is possible these fish have the ability to adapt and grow in their new environment. Evidence to date shows the fish to be feeding voraciously and maintaining their condition.

Yours faithfully,
BRIAN HUGHES,
Amenity and Conservation Manager,
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Vastern Road,
Reading, Berkshire.

Small deterrent

From Mr W. Bonafort

Dear Sir,
FIFA's threat to impose fines or disciplinary measures for not wearing shin guards is not an effective deterrent as it can be imposed only after the event. The obvious answer to the problem is: "No shin guards, no play." The referee should see to this before the match.

Yours faithfully,
W BONAFORTE,
Knappenweg 4,
Voitsberg, Steiermark,
Austria.

Ambassadors in South Africa

From Mr John Carlisle, MP for Luton North (Con)

Sir, I was sorry to read Simon Barnes's continued attack on Graham Gooch and the English cricketers who legitimately have sought employment in South Africa (September 13). Mr Barnes has not wavered in this opinion as expressed in several previous articles, but on this occasion he mischievously has suggested that any who travel to the Republic to play cricket are supporters of the apartheid system.

Nothing could be further from the truth. Most critics from this country, including myself, have condemned the system of apartheid as a gross abuse of human rights and visiting English cricketers are no exception to this general distaste.

Consequently their activities in South Africa do include the coaching of black youngsters in townships and the training of indigenous instructors to introduce thousands of young cricketers to a game that has, until now, been alien to them.

If Mr Barnes and his apartheid activists had their way, such activity would cease and the enthusiasm generated by the first West Indies "rebel tour" would be stifled by lack of expert tuition provided by English players.

Rather than "cosying-up apartheid" these cricketing ambassadors are helping to destroy the system by positive action in producing for South African non-whites the first real opportunity of partaking in a game that was previously considered to be a white franchise.

The negative armchair critics would willingly destroy the hopes and aspirations of these youngsters and the chance of living on equal terms with their fellow citizens.

All credit to the South African Cricket Union and Graham Gooch and his colleagues that at least through cricket they can offer these youngsters the opportunity to achieve that aim.

JOHN CARLISLE,
Freedom in Sport International,
PO Box 4ZD, W1.

From Mr L. G. Coote

Sir, I have just read Simon Barnes's End Column on cricket, Gooch and apartheid. Such starry-eyed emotional comment should have placed on a political page because it had nothing in common with the game of cricket or national discussion on current problems.

He is probably too young to understand that British links with South Africa are historical and family. Many here have South African aunts, uncles, nephews, nieces, cousins, etc, many of their descendants of settlers of many years ago. Incidentally, longer than some of the blacks who moved down from the north to join the prosperity.

Some of us remember the warm hospitality we received at Durban and Cape Town during the war; and our South African comrades in the war zones. No other country, black, Asian or white, has the same relative connection with South Africa.

None of this means that we secretly approve of apartheid and we object to being pilloried by Simon Barnes to that effect.

We in this country are free as few other Commonwealth countries are. If we want to visit relatives or friends in South Africa, even play cricket or marbles with them, it is not required that we make political statements or sign pieces of paper intended to impose the will and opinions of others on us.

If less free countries, or those in the grip of a fever of their own making, wish us not to be free to visit their countries, then that is their loss. The Indian Government, by refusing visas for our cricketers, has broken the Gleneagles Agreement.

As for Lord Lloyd's suggestion (September 15) that we should pick another team — what he means is that the Indian Government should be asked to pick our team. That is compromise? No, sir, it is tyrannical blackmail.

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From Major K. Khanna

Sir, The uncertainty over "*L'affaire* Gooch" has saddened the hearts of many Indians. Whatever be the merits of the Indian Government's position the cancellation of any cricket tour is not welcomed here. Cricket remains the most cherished legacy of the Raj.

However, instead of lamenting over the imbroglio, what is required is immediate remedial action to restore the situation and get on with the game.

In the first place, having served a three-year ban, better sense should have prevailed on Gooch before he signed for another trip to South Africa. That said, it must also be understood that he has not revisited that country on cricketing grounds.

Therefore the ICC can still convene its all-important meeting before the Indian tour (scheduled to commence in December 1988) after obtaining commitments from the players that they will in future not undertake any tours of South Africa.

English cricket has already experienced a summer of discontent. Let not a similar winter follow.

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Regional tier for England

From Dr Edmund Marshall

Sir, As a sorry season for English Test cricket draws to a close, many pundits have pointed to the considerable gap between the standards of county and Test cricket in this country as a reason why the counties do not provide a sufficiently good training ground for Test players.

This gap is due in part to the fact that there are 17 county teams, whereas in Australia or the West Indies there are only five or six teams in the second tier of cricket. One way of bridging the gap would be by introducing a regional tier into English cricket, with six regional groups each covering three counties (or in one case two).

Teams representing these groups would play each other once — preferably towards the start of each season — in four-day matches, usually on Test grounds. The Test selectors would have some hand in choosing the regional teams, which would include only players qualified to represent England. Meanwhile, there would be fewer games in the one-day competitions or in the County Championship to make room for the regional competition.

I have conveyed this suggestion — which in some ways is similar to present practice in English Rugby Union — to the Test and County Cricket Board, and I hope it will receive support from the county clubs in their current discussions.

Yours faithfully,
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Penalties to stop transgressors

From Mr P. A. Cross

Sir, A virus recently acquired gave me the freedom to watch a weekend's cricket on the television. May I make the following suggestions.

1. All cricketers who spit on the field of play to be fined £1,000.
2. All cricketers who do not know how to call for a run to be fined £500.
3. All cricketers who forget or who are too idle to take the first run quickly to be fined £300.
4. All cricketers who bowl a no-ball to be fined £50 for the first offence and £100 each for successive no-balls. Cricketers who reach £1,050 in fines to be sent for immediate re-training.
5. A complaint about the shape of a ball shall be fined at a rate to be determined by the umpire depending upon the relevance or otherwise of the complaint.
6. All television commentators to be strangled and replaced by statistics shown without comment.

I could go on. No doubt your readers have their own pet dislikes and a suitable weregild.

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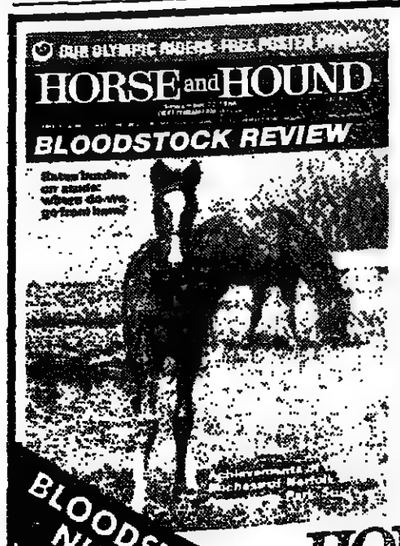

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FOOTBALL: LIVERPOOL'S FRIGHTENING INJURY LIST PROMPTS RECALL OF THE PLAYERS' FIRST-CHOICE PLAYER

Anfield's good news is that Dalglish's great days endure

By Stuart Jones, Football Correspondent

A silver lining has appeared in Liverpool's black cloud. The undiminished talents of Kenny Dalglish are likely to remain on display. The list of injury victims at Anfield has reached such grotesque proportions that the manager has reluctantly pushed himself back into consideration for his own weakened team.

Any other selector who had watched his abbreviated contribution at Highbury on Tuesday night might have been convinced that he merited a place in their strongest line-up. George Graham, for instance, said that he would be tempted to find a role for the 37-year-old player in his Arsenal side.

The scorer of Arsenal's winner in the Mercantile Credit Centenary Trophy semi-final later admitted that Dalglish changed the whole outlook of the Liverpool team when he came on. "Everything revolved around him," Marwood said. "He created respect straight away and he still carries an awesome charisma. He is one of the best players I've ever seen."

Marwood is not alone in believing that "it is a pity that we now see only fleeting glimpses of him, because he still has a lot to offer". Dalglish thought that he was worthy of inclusion only twice last season, on both occasions merely as a substitute.

Without nine members of his squad, he concedes that he must now consider "anyone who has two legs. This has to be the worst crop of injuries since I took over". Dalglish was unaware that, as he was speaking, misfortune was striking yet another of his internatonal representatives.

Beglin, whose left leg was shattered in a horrendous collision two years ago, was to finish his comeback on a stretcher. An X-ray examination confirmed that his right knee had "locked solid", as he put it, midway through the first half of a Central League fixture. A specialist's report confirmed that Beglin had damaged a cartilage in his right knee and that a minor operation may be required.

Typically, Dalglish does not regard himself certain of a place in the party for the match at Southampton on Saturday. "It is nice to have complimentary remarks made about me," he said. "But I will be the one to decide whether I play again or not."

Davis is also to call on evidence of the camera

By Stuart Jones

Visual evidence, which persuaded the Football Association to charge Paul Davis with bringing the game into disrepute, is to be used in the case for his defence. Arsenal will produce their own video of last Saturday's game against Southampton in which, allegedly, he is seen to be physically provoked.

It is believed that Cockerill, the victim of the punch, which was captured by the television cameras, had a few minutes earlier stamped on one of Davis's legs. The blow damaged his calf and caused him to be omitted from the semi-final of the Mercantile Credit Centenary Trophy on Tuesday night.

Although Arsenal do not condone his behaviour, their film may explain why Davis acted with such uncharacteristic violence. In the alleged incident, Cockerill's jaw was fractured in two places, an injury which will probably convince the FA to take firm disciplinary measure.

Davis well may be withdrawn temporarily from selection for the England squad, but Arsenal are expected to take a more lenient view. As long as he has recovered, he is likely to be in their party for a League fixture against Sheffield Wednesday at Hillsborough on Saturday.

Lee Chapman: a displaced person whose experience is a cautionary tale for British players

Forest open talks to bring Chapman back to England

By Louise Taylor

In football terms Lee Chapman is a displaced person. After just 10 games his honeymoon in the French second division is over because his club, Niort, have decided that they cannot afford the £290,000 fee agreed with Sheffield Wednesday in June.

Nottingham Forest and Derby County are both keen to secure the abrasive services of the former Hillsborough centre-forward. However, the Football League insist that no new transfer will be registered unless Niort settle their debt with Wednesday. Until such time Chapman is unable to play football.

Andy Williamson, of the Football League, said that his body was monitoring the situation "very closely", and voiced concern as to the possibility of similar cases in future being used to circumvent the English transfer tribunal system.

"This seems a genuine enough case, but we are concerned at the way the situation has been allowed to develop," he said. "There is potential for future cases to bypass our tribunal system and we have asked the Football Association to keep us fully informed about the progress of the Chapman transfer."

Both the French Football Federation and the FA must provide Chapman with clearance to return to England by ratifying his international registration before the League can consider domestic registration of the player.

Before the wheels of bureaucracy can be set in motion an English club will have to offer the money which will enable Niort to fulfill their financial obligations towards Wednesday.

The Yorkshire club have been aggrieved all along because they believe that Chapman was worth a lot more than £290,000. However, in June, Chapman was out of a contract and a free agent and his fee was accordingly settled by a UEFA board.

If Chapman had remained in England and moved directly to Forest or Derby a League tribunal would almost certainly have agreed on a substantially higher fee, hence the League's concern that the case may set a precedent whereby players can be bought on the cheap following brief stage-managed stints abroad.

"This particular case seems to be an accident, but we are still concerned about the principle. When Chapman does return we will be launching a thorough investigation into the circumstances of the case," Williamson added.

Niort are believed to have agreed such terms with Derby County. Ironically, Chapman would rather join Forest, who yesterday despatched representatives to south-east France in order to open talks with the player.

Niort are reputed to have set next Wednesday as the deadline by which time Chapman's future must be determined. In such circumstances it is unlikely that he will be able to dictate the terms of his abrupt return to the Football League.

Yet the unsettled Chapman will probably be more than happy to re-pot himself beneath the grey skies which herald another English winter. "Niort appear to have placed the player in an invidious position," Williamson said. Indeed, his experience could prove a cautionary tale for other British professionals anxious to make an apparently lucrative French connection.

Stockport could be punished

Stockport County face a Football Association probe into crowd trouble at their Edgeley Park ground during the goalless draw against Burnley on Monday. Although the referee's report makes no mention of trouble on the terraces, the FA has ordered an inquiry after learning that several policemen were injured in scuffles and a number of arrests were made.

● Disturbances involving Cardiff City supporters at Tuesday night's Littlewoods Cup tie against Swansea City at Vetch Field were witnessed by an FA of Wales observer. Cardiff's manager, Frank Burrows, had to help police remove spectators from the pitch during the game.

● Lee Payne, Newcastle United's new signing from the non-League club, Barnet, will be out for at least three weeks with an ankle ligament injury. Payne, a left winger, was carried off in a reserve match on Tuesday, but an X-ray examination yesterday revealed no fracture.

● The Bournemouth captain and right back, Mark Newson, has decided against a £200,000 move to Leicester City

TUESDAY NIGHT'S RESULTS

Barclays League

SECOND DIVISION: Chelsea 1, Manchester City 3; Hull City 1, Blackburn Rovers 3; Oldham Athletic 3, Oxford United 0; Shrewsbury Town 1, Ipswich Town 5; Stoke City 2, Portsmouth 2; Sunderland 1, Crystal Palace 1; Swindon Town 3, Bournemouth 1; Walsall 5, Birmingham City 0; Watford 2, Bradford City 0.

THIRD DIVISION: Blackpool 2, Bristol City 2; Bolton Wanderers 3, Fulham 2; Huddersfield Town 3, Notts County 1; Mansfield Town 2, Gillingham 1; Preston North End 3, Chester City 3; Sheffield United 5, Northampton Town 0; Wolverhampton Wanderers 1, Aldershot 0.

FOURTH DIVISION: Cambridge United 2, Lincoln City 3; Colchester United 3, Scarborough 1; Darlington 2, Exeter City 2; Rochdale 2, Doncaster Rovers 0; Rotherham United 4, Leyton Orient 1; Scunthorpe United 1, Carlisle United 1; Torquay United 2, Burnley 0; Wrexham 1, Grimsby Town 2; York City 2, Hartlepool United 3.

LITTLEWOODS CUP: First round, second leg: Swansea City 0, Cardiff City 2.

MERCANTILE CREDIT CENTENARY TROPHY: Semi-final: Arsenal 2, Liverpool 1.

SKOL CUP: Semi-final: Aberdeen 2, Dundee United 0.

GM VAUXHALL CONFERENCE: Aylesbury 1, Kidderminster 5; Enfield 1, Boston 2; Kettering 3, Barnet 1; Stafford 0, Altrincham 2; Weymouth 2, Sutton United 2.

INTERNATIONAL MATCHES: Czechoslovakia 4, Austria 2; Romania 3, Albania 0.

IRISH LEAGUE: Lombard Ulster Cup: Semi-final: Coleraine 0, Glentoran 2.

CENTRAL LEAGUE: First division: Coventry 1, Derby 0; Liverpool 1, Manchester United 3; Newcastle 0, West Bromwich 2.

OVENDEN PAPERS COMBINATION: Wimbledon 1, Brighton 4.

VAUXHALL-OPEL LEAGUE: Premier division: Bognor Regis 0, Bromley 3; Dulwich Hamlet 0, Hayes 0; Harrow 1, Leytonstone/Ilford 1; Hendon 1 Tooting and Mitcham 0; Wokingham 1, Croydon 1. First division: Basingstoke 3, Bracknell 1; Lewes 1, Kingsbury 4. Second division north: Aveley 0, Purfleet 1; Clapton 3, Witham 1; Hertford 2, Royston 0; Hornchurch 0, Hemel Hempstead 3; Letchworth 0, Wolverton 3; Saffron Walden 0, Stevenage 0; Vauxhall Motors 3, Ware 2. Second division south: Banstead 1, Newbury 0; Finchley 3, Eastbourne United 0; Petersfield 0, Dorking 1. AC Delco Cup: Preliminary round, second replay: Egham 1, Harlow 2. First round: Walton and Hersham 2, Billericay 1.

NORTHERN PREMIER LEAGUE: Premier division: Buxton 4, Stalybridge 1; Frickley 5, Mossley 0. First division: Eastwood Town 1, Eastwood Hanley 1; Highgate 0, Bishop Auckland 2; Netherfield 1, Whitley Bay 5.

FA CUP: First qualifying round replays: Beckenham 0, Barking 1; Warrington 3, Bilston 2; Boston 0, Witton 2; Rainham 1, Burnham 1; Chalfont St Peter 0, Bromsgrove 3; Hampton 0, Leyton-Wingate 1; Arlesey 0, Metropolitan Police 2; Morecambe 2, Skelmersdale 1; Wivenhoe 0, Bury Town 2; Leek 2, South Liverpool 1.

GREAT MILLS LEAGUE: Premier division: Plymouth Argyle Reserves 5, Dawlish 0. League Cup: First round: Bristol Manor Farm 2, Backwell 0; Tiverton 3, Taunton 2.

MIDDLESEX SENIOR CUP: Preliminary round: Harefield 1, Southall 1. First round: Northwood 2, Viking Sports 0.

GREEN KING SPARTAN LEAGUE: Premier division: Amersham 1, Hanwell 1.

FRENCH LEAGUE: Toulon 1, Toulouse 1.

RUGBY UNION

REPRESENTATIVE MATCH: Cornwall 44, Royal Navy 3.

CLUB MATCH: Gloucester 44, Clifton 9.

RACING

Rasheek on course for Dewhurst after Sandown success

Rasheek became a possible for next month's William Hill Dewhurst Stakes after gaining an impressive 2½-length success over Singular Run in the Granby Stakes at Sandown Park yesterday.

The Topsider colt has now won three of his four starts but Robert Armstrong, his trainer, is adamant that he should be unbeaten.

Armstrong explained: "He was badly shut in in a four-horse race at Kempton. It was nobody's fault but he should have won. He is in the Dewhurst but I shall have to see how he comes out of this race."

Pat Eddery gained his 160th success of the season on Rasheek and later completed a double on George Hobart, who ended a run of five successive seconds when landing the Alington Maiden Stakes.

Eddery now has a theoretical 39 racing days to ride the 39 winners he needs to become the first jockey since Sir Gordon Richards to reach the 200 mark. However, he could well miss a few of those days through overseas commitments.

Last season Eddery finished five short of a double century but the absence of Steve Cauthen is helping him. For example, he has two good rides, Tessla and Samoan, for Henry Cecil at Ascot on Saturday.

First-season Newmarket trainer Adrian Lee scored his second success when Nite Nite Louisa overcame the odds for a game neck victory in the Oxshott Apprentice Nursery.

Although carrying a 5lb penalty for her Salisbury success a fortnight ago, Nite Nite Louisa was still 7lb out of the handicap and she was dropping back from seven furlongs to five. But Nite Nite Louisa, well ridden by Jimmy Quinn, proved to have both the speed and the courage.

Nite Nite Louisa overhauled Dancing Blade 1½ furlongs out and was able to pull out a little extra when the favourite Petrillia, chasing a fourth successive win, challenged strongly in the last half-furlong.

Susan Piggott recovering well

Robert Armstrong had very good news of his sister, Susan Piggott, at Sandown Park yesterday.

Speaking after Rasheek's Granby Stakes success, the Newmarket trainer said: "She's fantastic. She's walking unaided and talking normally. Her ribs have mended and she's got no pain.

"Being as fit as she was, the ribs mended very quickly. It's a great relief and I think they did the right thing in keeping her on that ventilator. She is now being persuaded to take it easy for a while."

Lee, aged 29, who is currently training 15 horses and hopes to build the string up to 25, certainly has a good grounding for the game, having worked for Tim Forster, Fred Winter, Arthur Moore, Mark Prescott and Michael Jarvis.

Nite Nite Louisa was claimed by her owner Clive Buckle at Leicester in July and Lee says: "He's my lucky owner with six runners, all in the first four and two winners."

Results from four meetings

Sandown Park

Going: good to firm (rnd course); firm (str)

2.0 (5f) 1, NITE NITE LOUISA (J Quinn, 7-1); 2, Petrillia (P Hegarty, 15-8 fav); 3, Dancing Blade (R Morse, 13-2). ALSO RAN: 11-2 Iron King, 10 Land Of Plenty, Mister Lawson (6th), 14 Inswinger (5th), 20 Mr Toyboy, The Tansey Man (4th), 25 Spa Creative, 50 Moor Frolicking. 11 ran. NR: Saint Systems, Blue Money. Nk, 4l, 1½l, hd, sh hd. A Lee at Newmarket. Tote: £7.30; £1.80, £1.40, £1.70. DF: £6.80. CSF: £19.06. Tricast: £82.14. 1min 00.82sec.

2.30 (7f) 1, RASHEEK (Pat Eddery, 11-8 jt-fav); 2, Singular Run (T Quinn, 12-1); 3, Shoot Ahead (W R Swinburn, 11-8 jt-fav). ALSO RAN: 14 Ensharp (4th), L'Empher (5th). 5 ran. NR: Kissing The Pink. 2½l, ¾l, 1½l, 2l. R Armstrong at Newmarket. Tote: £2.10; £1.30, £3.30. DF: £6.50. CSF: £12.87. 1min 29.95sec.

3.0 (1m) 1, ICE CHOCOLATE (W Newnes, 9-2); 2, Hooray Lady (J Williams, 7-1); 3, Super Lunar (C Rutter, 25-1). ALSO RAN: 9-4 fav Goscar (5th), 6 Bold Pillager, Puppet Show (6th), 8 Al-Torfanan, Hanseatic (4th), 20 Tilt Tech Flyer, 33 Pulaski. 10 ran. NR: Lots Of Luck. 2l, 2½l, ¾l, 4l, ½l. Miss B Sanders at Epsom. Tote: £4.80; £1.50, £1.90, £8.30. DF: £15.20. CSF: £34.98. Tricast: £658.62. 1min 40.61sec.

3.35 (5f) 1, MY PAL POPEYE (S Whitworth, 12-1); 2, Chain Shot (W R Swinburn, 12-1); 3, Charm Bird (N Adams, 6-1). ALSO: 100-30 fav Grand Prix, 5 Count Me Out, 6 Sonila (6th), 7 Divine Pet (4th), 12 Ration Of Passion, 14 Misfest (5th). 9 ran. NR: Durative. 1¾l, sh hd, nk, 1½l, sh hd. P Mitchell at Epsom. Tote: £13.90; £2.70, £3.80, £1.80. DF: £48.00. CSF: £119.08. Tricast: £817.22. 1min 01.09sec.

4.5 (1m 6f) 1, INDIAN BABA (G Starkey, 9-1); 2, Hobbs Time (W R Swinburn, 11-2 fav); 3, Itma (T Quinn, 15-2). ALSO RAN: 13-2 Saneena (4th), 7 Faliq, 8 Camilla's Girl (6th), 10 Master Line, Waafi, Calapaez, 16 Crisp Heart, The Refrigerator, 25 Connaa, 33 Bold Archer (5th), 100 The Grifter, L J's Parrot. 15 ran. 4l, ¾l, ¾l, 1½l, nk. G Harwood at Pulborough. Tote: £10.20; £3.00, £2.80, £2.00. DF: £49.40. CSF: £53.55. Tricast: £359.76. 2min 58.43sec.

4.40 (1m 2f) 1, ORGANZA (R Cochrane, 15-2); 2, Known Charter (W Newnes, 4-1); 3, Lovers Tryst (J Reid, 13-8 fav). ALSO RAN: 7-2 Salonniere (4th), 15-2 Oubliler L'Ennui (5th), 33 Marva (6th). 6 ran. 12l, 2½l, 6l, sh hd, 1½l. J Hills at Lambourn. Tote: £7.50; £2.30, £2.30. DF: £18.10. CSF: £32.01. 2min 06.00sec.

5.10 (7f) 1, GEORGE HOBART (Pat Eddery, 6-4 fav); 2, My Mallet (B Rouse, 8-1); 3, Tutor (J Reid, 8-1). ALSO RAN: 11-2 Sharp Shape (6th), 8 Provocation, 14 Hereward, 20 Gorgeous Lady, Masnun, Sharp Cookie, Straw Castle (4th), 33 Learning Fast (5th), 50 My Mazionah, What A Hope. 13 ran. 3l, 1l, 5l, 1½l, 1½l. J Tree at Beckhampton. Tote: £2.60; £1.30, £1.20, £2.20. DF: £8.40. CSF: £13.75. 1min 28.41sec.

Jackpot: not won. (Pool of £9,253.90 carried forward to Ascot today)

Placepot: £190.50

4.45 (7f 100yd) 1, ANNAF (R Hills, 9-4 jt-fav); 2, Al Mansoura (M Roberts, 3-1); 3, Respray (R P Elliott, 25-1). ALSO RAN: 9-4 jt-fav Sycopharma (4th), 10 Fanatical, Forest Blossom (6th), 50 D'Ya Reckon, Elissa (5th). 8 ran. 8l, ¾l, nk, 4l, nk. H Thomson Jones at Newmarket. Tote: £2.80; £1.10, £1.40, £2.70. DF: £5.10. CSF: £8.79.

5.0 (5f) 1, MAC'S FIGHTER (T Ives walked over). W O'Gorman at Newmarket.

Placepot: £120.30.

Devon & Exeter

Going: hard

2.0 (2m 5f hdle) 1, Earl Hansel (P Johnson, 20-1); 2, Malicho (Evens fav); 3, Can't Disclose (4-1). 6 ran. 2l, 3l. R Frost. Tote: £22.00; £8.00, £1.30. DF: £6.20. CSF: £39.93.

2.30 (2m 1f) 1, Altountash (M Williams, 11-4); 2, Brainwave (8-1); 3, Watersmeet Down (8-1). Phelioff 6-5 fav. 7 ran. 6l, ¾l. I Wardle. Tote: £4.70; £2.10, £2.80. DF: £9.40. CSF: £23.06.

3.0 (2m 1f ch) 1, Insular (P Scudamore, 2-5 fav); 2, Pells Close (13-2); 3, Montefiaso (14-1). 8 ran. Dist, ¾l. I Balding. Tote: £1.50; £1.10, £1.70, £1.80. DF: £2.90. CSF: £4.01.

3.30 (2m 1f hdle) 1, Midnight Strike (M Williams, 5-4); 2, On Her Toes (7-1); 3, Swing Era (11-10 fav). 6 ran. NR: Laughing-Missis. 8l, 25l. J Baker. Tote: £2.10; £1.20, £2.20. DF: £3.60. CSF: £10.57.

4.0 (3m 1f ch) 1, Beaconside (N Hawke, 2-1); 2, Glenside Jerry (6-4 fav); 3, Lewesdon Prince (2-1). 3 ran. 1½l, dist. J Brooks. Tote: win £2.80. DF: £2.40. CSF: £4.66.

4.30 (2m 1f hdle) 1, Brant Riverside (A Charlton, 13-8); 2, Dick's Folly (4-5 fav); 3, Battle Master (5-1). 3 ran. 8l, 20l. G Balding. Tote: £2.40. DF: £1.80. CSF: £3.19.

Placepot: £151.10

Perth

Going: good

2.15 (2m hdle) 1, Good Point (G McCourt, 4-7 fav); 2, Queens Man (8-1); 3, Soca Dancer (16-1). 7 ran. NR: Apple Lane. 3l, 5l. N Tinkler. Tote: £1.30; 1.10, £2.90. DF: £2.50. CSF: £5.99.

2.45 (2m hdle) 1, Mess Kid (N Smith, 7-2); Viking Rocket (9-4); 3, Battle Of Wits, Royal Rouser 15-8 fav. 5 ran 1½l, 15l. Mrs G Reveley. Tote: £6.90; £2.10, £1.70. DF: £8.90. CSF £10.77.

3.15 (2m 4f ch) 1, Bassecarr Boy (P Tuck, 13-8 fav); 2, Tumble Jim (7-1); 3, Simon Bolivar (33-1). 8 ran 6l, 6l. G Richards. Tote: £2.40; £1.50, £1.30, £4.80. DF: £10.00. CSF: £11.98. Tricast: £219.33

3.45 (2m hdle) 1, Katy Quick (P Harte, 6-4 jt-fav); 2, Clever Folly (10-1); 3, Pit Pony (3-1). Hockley 9-4 jt-fav. 5 ran. 5l, 5l. M Naughton. Tote: £3.20; £1.80, £1.70. DF: £8.20. CSF: £18.27

4.15 (2m 4f ch) 1, Fair Echo (B Storey, 7-1); 2, Rymer's Walk (7-1); 3, Syrinx (9-4 fav). 11 ran. 1½l, 3l. C Parker. Tote: £21.00; £3.10, £1.80, £2.00. DF: £89.10 CSF: £51.77.

4.45 (2m hdle) 1, Palm House (P Tuck, 6-4); 2, Potato King (10-1); 3, Ann Valentine (Evens fav). 6 ran. NR: Marshalstoneswood. 6l, ¾l. G Richards. Tote: £2.50; £1.10, £1.10. DF: £4.70. CSF: £13.92.

Placepot: £14.70

Beverley

Going: firm

2.15 (1m 100yd) 1, NATIVE FRIEND (K Fallon, 7-2); 2, Burning Breeches (M Roberts, 12-1); 3, Billhead (N Connorton, 10-1). ALSO RAN: 11-8 fav Wentworth Prince (5th), 9-2 Qualitair Aviator (6th), 16 Good Hand (4th), 33 Awkward Harry, 50 Tongadin. 8 ran 2l, ¾l, ½l, sh hd, 1l. Jimmy FitzGerald at Malton. Tote: £4.00; £1.80, £1.40, £1.90. DF: £17.00. CSF: £36.33.

2.45 (1m 100yd) 1, PANSONG (N Connorton, 7-1); 2, Early Sound (S Salmon, 11-2); 3, Ray With Words (G Duffield, 16-1). ALSO RAN: 5 fav New Start (4th), 11-2 Jaunty Gig, 7 Bobby On The Bank, Furry Queen, 12 Nyquist (6th), 16 Glastondale, Ryans Carroll (5th), 20 Thomason, 25 Linwith Lady, Sarah's Fantasy. 13 ran. 1½l, 7l, 2l, 1l, sh hd. T Fairhurst at Middleham. Tote: £8.80; £3.10, £2.30, £3.10. DF: £18.00. CSF: £42.95. Tricast: £543.56. Bought in for 2,400 gns.

3.15 (1m 2f) 1, TOLERANCE (W Carson, 5-2); 2, Messaria (M Roberts, 20-1); 3, Velluta (A Clark, 13-2). ALSO RAN: 11-10 fav My Greatest Star (4th), 14 Valika, 25 Owttomowt (6th), 66 Greenhills Star, Lesciacha (5th). 8 ran. ¾l, hd, ¾l, 5l, 1l. N Graham at West Ilsley. Tote: £3.80; £1.40, £1.50, £2.00. DF: £21.40. CSF: £37.88. After a stewards' inquiry result stood.

3.45 (1m 4f) 1, GODS LAW (J Carr, 2-1 fav); 2, Grey Admiral (K Fallon, 7-1); 3, Silks Domino (G Bardwell, 9-2). ALSO RAN: 5 Burcroft (6th), 10 Snow Rhapsody, 12 Daman, 16 Breguet (4th), 20 Prince Zamaro, Rustic Track (5th). 9 ran. 1l, sh hd, nk, 1½l, 2½l. Mrs G Reveley at Saltburn. Tote: £3.30; £1.60, £1.90, £1.80. DF: £7.80. CSF: £14.87. Tricast: £49.29

4.15 (1m 100yds) 1, REGENT LAD (S Webster, 25-1); 2, Tom Rum (J Carter, 5-1 fav); 3, Ciren Jester (M Wigham, 16-1), 4, Not Yet (A Culhane, 8-1). ALSO RAN: 9 Good N Sharp, 10 Warplane, 11 No Jazz, 12 Follow The Drum (5th), Grossen, Heavenly Hoofer, Lescroft (6th), 14 African Affair, Penny Place, 16 Comfrey Glen, Kaleidophone, 20 May Over, Stand At Ease, 33 Get On Garaghty, Happy Breed. 19 ran. 1½l, ¾l, hd, nk, hd. Miss L Siddall at Tadcaster. Tote: £38.70; £8.60, £2.00, £3.90, £1.90. DF: £182.40. CSF: £144.78. Tricast: £1,938.55.

● Guy Harwood confirmed at Sandown yesterday that Warning is in fine shape for Saturday's Ascot highlight, the Queen Elizabeth II Stakes. After saddling Indian Baba to defy top weight in the Swan Lightly Handicap, the Pulborough trainer admitted that he is a little concerned about the forecast of possible rain. Warning will not run if it is soft.

● Gods Law collected his third Beverley success when winning the Cherry Burton Handicap at the Yorkshire course yesterday.

● Carlisle are planning to spend £60,000 on improving restaurant and viewing facilities before the end of the year. Work has already been carried out on the track itself, including drainage clearance and subsoiling of the final two furlongs.

● City Index make Warning 6-4 favourite for the Queen Elizabeth II Stakes at Ascot on Saturday. Other prices: 11-4 Soviet Star, 7-2 Persian Heights, 7-1 Salse, 10-1 Kefaah, 14-1 bar. The same firm report money for Mawzoon (10-1 from 14-1) for the Tote Festival Handicap, and Village Star (25-1 from 33-1) for the Arc.

Blinkered first time

ASCOT: 2.0 Burkan. 4.10 Halcanor. BEVERLEY: 2.45 Party Mood. 4.15 Uptown Girl.

GOLF

Davies strikes blow for tour

By Mitchell Platts
Golf Correspondent

The Women's Professional Golfers' European Tour yesterday reacted swiftly, on the eve of the Toshiba Players' Championship, to the suggestion by Laura Davies that she would play full-time in the United States if officials imposed restrictions on membership on her home circuit.

Davies, angered by being fined £75 for withdrawing from the Variety Club Classic earlier this month, had heard the rumour along with others that the question of players competing in a minimum number of tournaments each season, in order to retain their playing privileges, had been discussed. "If such a rule is brought in then it would be the end of my playing in Europe," she said.

Beverly Huke, chairman of the WPGET, said: "We discussed it and we've thrown it out. Quite honestly, it would be a backward step. We want to encourage growth on our tour, not stifle it."

Davies has attempted to satisfy all parties around the world. Her tournament schedule in 1988 will have taken her to 36 tournaments. So her decision to withdraw at the eleventh hour from the Variety Club event, after 47 flights which took her more than 32,000 miles in nine weeks, is understandable.

"I've appealed against being fined," she added. "I was exhausted mentally, and I don't care what the committee think. It's not the money, and I'm certainly not seeking special consideration, but there has to be some leeway in such matters."

Davies has won four tournaments this year — two in Europe and two in the United States — and she is determined to finish in the top 10 on both sides of the Atlantic. She is ninth in Europe and thirteenth in the United States, where she is still ahead of Liselotte Neumann in the race for "Rookie of the Year" honours.

Neumann, who relieved Davies of the US Open title earlier this year, has made only four appearances in Europe. The leading nine in the Woolmark Order of Merit are competing on the Old Thorns Course, on the outskirts of Liphook, and Marie-Laure Taya is hoping to stretch her lead at the top after winning £71,796 from 15 tournaments. Alison Nicholas (£60,903) is in second place.

Card of the course

Hole	Yds	Par	Hole	Yds	Par
1	267	4	10	125	3
2	[illegible]	5	11	335	4
3	422	5	12	374	4
4	122	3	13	342	4
5	320	4	14	437	5
6	407	4	15	254	4
7	145	3	16	126	3
8	350	4	17	478	5
9	350	4	18	414	5
Out	2,769	36	In	2,885	37
Total yardage: 5,654					Par: 73

Game is a joke to Ballesteros

Severiano Ballesteros, who goes into this week's German Masters at Stuttgart assured of being Europe's top golfer for the fifth time, yesterday revealed the secret of his success — a new philosophy.

"I am now treating the game as half way between serious and a joke. It's the only way. You can go crazy if you take golf too seriously," Ballesteros, who has won four of his last five tournaments in Europe, said.

Oosterhuis mark goes

Graham Farr will take a useful lead of three strokes into today's final 36 holes of the E C Osborne Midland Professional championship, after setting a course record at Kings Norton yesterday (Chris Moore writes).

The Ludlow professional had seven birdies in a spectacular second round of 65, which clipped one shot off the previous record, set more than a decade ago by Peter Oosterhuis and Malcolm Gregson.

LEADING SCORES: 135: G Farr (Ludlow), 70, 65. 138: J Rhodes (South Staffs), 71, 67; J Annable (Walsall), 70, 68. 141: S Edwards (Kings Norton), 69, 72; J Robinson (Woodhall Spa), 73, 68; J Higgins (Patshull Park), 71, 70.

● Iestyn Tucker, a former captain of the Monmouthshire club, and Arthur Whaley, president of the South Wales Alliance, stalwarts of Welsh golf for many years, share the half-way lead in the Welsh Seniors' championship at Aberdovey (Chris Smart writes)

LEADING SCORES: 74: I Tucker (Monmouthshire), A Whaley (Glamorganshire). 75: J E Jones (Ruthin), W R Knowles (Carmarthen). 76: N Lycett (Aberdovey). 77: S Gronow (East Berkshire).

BASKETBALL

Jobs clash for Titmuss

By Nicholas Harling

The reign of David Titmuss, the most successful coach England has had, will almost certainly end after the European championship matches against Czechoslovakia and The Netherlands in November.

The English Basket Ball Association's international sub-committee will probably decide that Titmuss, who is serving out his time as the EBBA's development officer, cannot stay in charge of the national team now that he has accepted a coaching appointment with his former club, Hemel-Watford Royals.

Titmuss who has been the England coach for two years, during which they reached the semi-final round in Europe for the first time, has returned to the club he founded in 1976.

"My heart is in the town, and I've been offered a job by the consortium that has taken over the club," Titmuss, who lives in Hemel Hempstead, said. "I have decided to take it after thinking about it very deeply. It's a big decision, and from now on my loyalties must lie with the club. All I want to do is take the club back to the top."

Titmuss's decision means that Steve Tucker leaves the club after less than a month in charge. The team lost to Bracknell by 52 points in the NatWest Trophy last week.

BADMINTON

Preston's galaxy of champions

By Richard Eaton

The first Carlsberg Classic more than lived up to its name when a spectacular entry was announced yesterday by the Badminton Association of England.

The new event, which replaces the Masters at Preston Guildhall, from October 13 to 16, has attracted four out of the five world champions, and all five of the European champions.

This means that the Chinese left-hander Yang Yang, who will almost certainly be the top seed in the men's singles, may have to meet Morten Frost for the first time in European conditions since the Hertfordshire-based Dane narrowly lost their epic world final in Beijing

That, though, will depend on whether their rivalry receives interference from England's Darren Hall, who beat Frost in the European final.

The women's singles will be unusual in that both China's two top players, world champion Han Aiping and her predecessor, Li Lingwei, are coming to the same event. Kirsten Larsen, the European champion from Denmark, will probably be a genuine threat to them, as may England's former European champion, Helen Troke.

RUGBY UNION

A close contest with only minimal appeal

By Michael Stevenson

Sedbergh School.......... 9
St Bees School............ 6

If two sides virtually cancel each other out with regard to vigour, dedication, proneness to error and, on the day, tactical ineptitude, a superb contest may result but it is impossible to envisage a fine rugby match.

So it proved at Sedbergh yesterday where St Bees, who last year beat Sedbergh for the first time in 25 years, went down by three penalties to two in a dour, negative encounter.

Hine's kick ahead was the prelude to Sedbergh's first point. A home player was tackled without the ball and Hudson kicked the penalty, adding a second almost immediately when St Bees offended at a lineout just outside the 22.

Senior kicked a penalty for the losers on either side of the interval to level the score and it was noticeable that the St Bees pack, which had rocketed backwards in the early scrummages, was beginning to hold its own.

However, during a relatively rare visit deep into St Bees' territory the visitors were penalized at a ruck following a lineout and Hudson's third penalty settled the issue.

SCORERS: Sedbergh: Penalties: Hudson (3) St Bees: Penalties: Senior (2).

SEDBERGH: R Halley; T Prudhoe, P Nickalls, D Hunter, T Hine; D Hudson, T Edwards; J Ayton, J Saggers, D Walker, C Middleton, A Meadows (capt), R Skinner, N Rink, A Metcalfe.

ST BEES: G Lawrence; K Leadbitter, M Hodgson, J Milburn, A Coles; P Senior, J Triffen (capt); J Hewitt, D Sim, G Atkinson, M Williams, P Davey, S Burnett, K Nicholson, S Carr.

Referee: B Campsall (Yorkshire).

A two-man triumph

From Chris Thau
Moscow

Soviet Union Juniors..... 9
United States Eagles.. 26

The Soviets must have been utterly confused by the scoring spree of the two Williams — one an Englishman, the former Wasps and Middlesex centre Mark, and his outside partner Barry, an American Samoan.

Between them they scored all 26 points as the Eagles romped to victory by two goals, two tries and two penalty goals to three penalty goals.

SCORERS: United States: Tries: B Williams (3), M Williams (1). Penalty goals: M Williams (2). Conversions: M Williams (2). Soviet Union Juniors: Penalty goals: P Berzin (3).

FOR THE RECORD

BASEBALL

NORTH AMERICA: National League: Los Angeles Dodgers 5, Houston Astros 0; San Francisco Giants 7, Atlanta Braves 4; Cincinnati Reds 7, San Diego Padres 2; Pittsburgh Pirates 5, St Louis Cardinals 1; New York Mets 6, Philadelphia Phillies 4; Chicago Cubs 5, Montreal Expos 4 (11 inns); Montreal Expos 9, Chicago Cubs 1 (2nd game) American League: Oakland Athletics 12, Minnesota Twins 3; Boston Red Sox 13, Toronto Blue Jays 2; Detroit Tigers 3, Cleveland Indians 1; New York Yankees 7, Baltimore Orioles 1; Texas Rangers 4, Chicago White Sox 1, Milwaukee Brewers 6, California Angels 5, Seattle Mariners 11, Kansas City Royals 10.

BASKETBALL

NATWEST TROPHY: Manchester Eagles 102, Oldham Celtics 65.

FOOTBALL

OVENDEN PAPERS COMBINATION: Ipswich 0, West Ham 0; Chelsea 2, Charlton 1, Fulham 1, Arsenal 2; Millwall 1, Swindon 2.

SOUTH WEST COUNTIES LEAGUE: Bristol City 2, Bournemouth 0; Torquay United 2, Cardiff City 2.

INTERNATIONAL MATCH: Turkey 3, Greece 1.

MOTOR RALLYING

ABIDJAN: Ivory Coast rally: 10km prologue: 1, R Stohl (Austria), Audi Quattro Coupe, 3min 18sec; 2, A Ambrosino (Fr), Nissan 200 SX, 3:34; 3, D Moren (Bel), Mazda 323 4WD, 3:36; 4, A Fanna (Ivory Coast), Audi 80 Quattro, 3:39; equal 5, K Somaia (Kenya), VW Golf GTI, 3:43; P Gaban (Bel) Mazda 323 4WD, 3:43.

GOLF

SUNNINGDALE: Women's Open foursomes: Second round: N Hayward (Wentworth) and A McLaren (Calcot Park) bt M L Robertson and M Purdie (Elsborough), 3 and 1; S Harvey (Royal Wimbledon) and B Wilenkin (Frilford Heath) bt D Holland and Lady Rosemary Muir (Sunningdale), 4 and 3; A Hunter (Kidderminster) and S Britnill (Fulford Heath) bt J Freedman (St George's Hill) and B Humphreys (Osborne), 8 and 7. A Allsopp and D Harris (Kirby Muxloe) bt J Wailes and J Freemantle (Newbury and Crookham); E Jacobs (Sunningdale) and E Winkley (Berkshire) bt M Penna (Berkshire) and S Thorburn (R Wimbledon), 5 and 4; P Jardine and A Barratt (Walton Heath) bt J Baldwin and J Yerrow (Burnham Beeches), 2 and 1. M Gregory and Y Gray (Burnham Beeches) bt J Ross and P Richins (Wyke Green), 1 up; M Pollett and N Marsras (Burhill) bt B Saxon (St George's Hill) and C Seldenrith (Woking), 3 and 1; J Kendall and J Creswell (Wentworth) bt K Hallar and J Shergold (Blackmore), at 21st; B Bucknall (R Wimbledon) and J Turner (West Sussex) bt P Smith and S Barnshaw (West Kent), 3 and 1; P Oliver and D M Keylock (Wentworth) bt Carr and Johnson; R J Beeson (Shermingham) and P Malleson (Berkshire) bt N and P Cameron-Mitchell (Hankley Common), 2 and 1; C Bond and S Webber (Burhill) bt Ling and Browse, 2 and 1; G Edwards and H Glyne-Jones (Berkshire) bt K Bardell and W Gardner (Beaconsfield), 5 and 4, D Dixon (R Wimbledon) and H Hubbard (Berkshire) bt A Whitmore (Camberley Heath) and T Blackmore (Liphook), 3 and 2; J Bordman and J Tullis (Sunningdale) bt J Humphries and S Ofield, 7 and 5.

SPEEDWAY

NATIONAL LEAGUE: Poole 66, Arena Essex 30; Milton Keynes 63, Exeter 33.

SQUASH RACKETS

KARACHI: Pakistan Open: First round: Jansher Khan (Pak) bt M Robberds (Aus), 15-6, 15-9, 15-3; Jahangir Khan (Pak) bt Ahmed Tahir (Egypt), 15-8, 15-3, 15-8; H H Jahan (GB) bt G Waite (Can), 15-10, 12-15, 11-15, 15-5, 15-10; B Newton (Aus) bt Qamar Zaman (Pak), 15-7, 15-5, 15-10; C Robertson (Aus) bt M MacLean (GB), 15-6, 13-15, 15-13, 15-11.

TENNIS

PARIS: Clarins Open women's tournament (French unless stated): J Halard bt P Huber (Austria), 6-2, 6-0; S Frankl (WG) bt M Laval, 6-3, 6-0; N Herreman bt C Dahlman (Swe), 6-2, 6-2; S Wasserman (Bel) bt B Romano (It), 6-3, 6-0; L Garrone (It) bt M-C Calleja, 6-0, 6-3; F Gauvin bt L Field (Aus), 6-1, 4-6, 7-6; P Langrova (Cz) bt S Niox-Chateau, 6-4, 6-1, M-C Damas bt V Paquet, 6-4, 6-3; S Hack (WG) bt S Jacquet (Switz), 6-0, 6-2; F Bonsignori (It) bt D Krajcovicova (Cz), 6-2, 6-1; T Pospisilova (Cz) bt S Dalla-Valle (It), 1-6, 6-3, 6-2.

LOS ANGELES: Men's Grand Prix tournament (US unless stated): First round: J Kriek bt P Kuhnen (WG), 6-7, 6-0, 6-0; C Van Rensburg (SA) bt J Grabb, 6-2, 6-3, D Pate bt P Lundgren (Swe), 6-3, 6-2; K Curren bt T Nelson, 5-7, 6-4, 6-4; M Chang bt M Freeman, 7-6, 6-4. J Lozano (Mex) bt M Robertson (SA), 7-6, 6-4, M Pernfors (Swe) bt T Wilkison, 3-6, 6-3, 7-6; A Agassi bt C Saceanu (WG), 6-2, 6-2.

GENEVA: Men's Grand Prix tournament: Second round: H de la Pena (Arg) bt J Gunnarsson (Swe), 7-6, 6-2; F Luna (Sp) bt T Meinecke (WG), 7-6, 6-2; C Bergstrom (Swe) bt I Flego (Yug), 6-2, 6-2; P Rebolledo (Chile) bt B Oresar (Yug), 1-6, 6-2, 6-4

RUGBY UNION

MOSCOW: Soviet Union 18, Romania 28.

TODAY'S FIXTURES

FOOTBALL

CENTRAL LEAGUE (7.0): First division: Manchester City v Sunderland (6.45); Nottingham Forest v Leicester; Sheffield United v Leeds (7.30) Second division: Blackpool v Rotherham, Bradford v Stoke (7.30), Middlesbrough v Preston

OVENDEN PAPERS COMBINATION: Chelsea v Charlton (2.0).

OTHER SPORT

BASKETBALL: NatWest Trophy (8.0): Derby v Leicester; Livingston v Glasgow.

GOLF: Midland professional championships (King's Norton); Scottish professional championship (Haggs Castle).

LACROSSE: Tour match: Combined Universities v Australia (Manchester, 2.30).

SNOOKER: Canadian masters qualifying (Blackpool).

SPEEDWAY: National League: Middlesbrough v Poole.

SPORT ON TV

RACING: BBC2 2.15 p.m.: 2.30, 3.05, 3.40 and 4.10 races from Ascot.

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RACING

Consistent Almaarad to foil younger rivals in Cumberland Lodge

By Mandarin

Almaarad, still improving at the age of five, is napped to give weight all round to his six younger rivals in the group three Hoover Cumberland Lodge Stakes at Ascot today.

The son of Ela-Mana-Mou was still racing in handicap company in the early part of his four-year-old campaign but then began to make rapid improvement, wining two group two races in the space of three weeks at Deauville in August.

This season Almaarad has progressed again to win two more group two contests – the Jockey Club Stakes and the Hardwicke Stakes – and last time out landed the odds in a group one race at Gelsenkirchen.

Arguably, though, Almaarad's best performance came over today's course and distance in July, when he finished fourth behind Mtoto, Unfuwain and Tony Bin in the King George VI and Queen Elizabeth Diamond Stakes.

With three victories over course and distance to his credit as well, Almaarad evidently reserves his very best for this track and, even with a 7lb penalty for his group one success, I expect him to have too much pace for the luckless Insan.

Paul Cole's Irish Derby runner-up deserves to win a race of this nature and is clearly favoured by the race conditions. However, his normal front-running style leaves him open to horses such as Almaarad and he did not appear suited by a change of tactics when held up in the Prix Niel 11 days ago.

Insan was also favoured by the conditions of that Longchamp event, but, in a typically muddling French race, his inability to quicken again proved his undoing.

John Dunlop, Almaarad's trainer, also saddles Love The Groom but he has yet to prove he is the force he was last season when winning the King Edward VII Stakes at Royal Ascot and the Gordon Stakes at Goodwood.

Of the remaining quartet, I have most regard for the lightly-raced Assatis, who ran his best race to date when chasing home Minster Son in this year's Gordon Stakes with Alwuhush and Polar Gap behind him.

Twelve months ago, Luca Cumani and Ray Cochrane won the EBF Clarence House Maiden Stakes with Harp Islet and the Blue Seal Stakes with New Trends (run on the Saturday). Today, they look set to repeat that feat with **Statoblest and Ensconse.**

Statoblest was made favourite for a 21-runner maiden on his debut at Goodwood and found only fellow newcomer Nazanin too good while Ensconse landed a well-contested maiden at Nottingham on her introduction and can put that experience to good use against some highly-rated but unraced opponents.

Chimes Of the Dawn is fancied to end Vanroy's winning run in the opening *Swinley Forest Handicap. The* pair last met in Vanroy's race at Newcastle a month ago when my selection finished four lengths behind in seventh.

With a 19lb pull in the weights, taking into account the allowances of their respective apprentice riders, Chimes Of The Dawn can take his revenge.

At Beverley, **Deftly** looks the answer to the Snowy Gray Handicap, having divided Panienka and Swingit Gunner in a slightly better contest at Ayr last week.

Elsewhere at the Yorkshire track, Tony Ives has a handful of good rides and I expect him to land a treble with **Vilmax** (2.15), **The Freshes** (4.45) and the Queen's **Housework** (5.15).

Some agreement on levy rate

By Michael Seely, Racing Correspondent

Some measure of agreement was reached at the first formal discussions, held in London yesterday, between the Horserace Betting Levy Board and the Bookmakers' Committee.

The current 27th Levy Scheme, which will yield £28.8 million to the racing industry in the year 1988-89, expires on April 1 next year when the current three-year agreement also expires.

Agreement has been reached in principle about disaggregation, a practice whereby some bookmakers split their businesses to arrive at a lower level of levy.

This estimated £500,000 loss will be avoided in the future by applying levy to the turnover in individual betting shops, rather than on the aggregate total business transacted.

The basis of the bookmakers' proposals on this subject came from a 150-page report commissioned from the independent National Research Association.

Broad agreement was also reached on a new method of assessing cash and credit betting. It was also agreed in principle that the present £10 per year paid by on-course bookmakers should continue.

However, the bookmakers are unlikely to be willing to enter into a three-year commitment and will wish to see a one-year agreement to assess how the new rates of levy will work out. The Levy Board, on the other hand, favour a longer agreement to give greater stability.

No one outside the betting industry will want to see the rate of levy fall below about 0.90 per cent. The bookmakers may argue that the industry is already receiving an extra £5 million per annum from satellite television and that no further increase is needed.

But the present low level of prize-money in the middle and lower tier races is making it increasingly harder for trainers to pay a realistic wage to those working in an industry from which bookmakers derive their livelihood and make ever-increasing profits.

Further discussions about the rate of levy will take place in the near future as agreement has to be reached before October 31. Otherwise, the matter has to be referred to the Home Secretary for arbitration.

UTTOXETER

Selections

By Mandarin

2.0 Speckyfoureyes. 2.30 La Molinilla. 3.0 Bishopdale. 3.30 Gratification. 4.0 Leave It To Bally. 4.30 Downhill Run. 5.0 Sailors Pride.

Going: firm

2.0 ABACUS LIGHTING CONDITIONAL JOCKEYS HANDICAP HURDLE (£1,457: 2m) (11 runners)

2 F04- BRIANSTON BELL 145 (CD,F) W Clay 9-11-12 D Pike (7)
6 2-41 SPECKYFOUREYES 10 (D,F) J Pearce 5-11-3 (7ex) C Huggan (7)
10 2122 HAWAIIAN HEIR 13 (B,D,F,G,S) W Clay 9-11-1 Diane Clay
13 P-50 RYANS DOVE 13 (D,S) M Pipe 7-10-0 M Foster (7)
18 1-0F JAY-DEE-JAY 24 (F) J Davies 5-10-1 S McCrystal
20 406- VERDON CANYON 3F (BF) G Pritchard-Gordon 4-10-0 P Evely (7)
21 31U- ARCTIC REEF 111 (D,F,G) R Howells 5-10-0 S Cowley
23 031- DOHTY BABY 8F (D,F) R Thompson 4-10-0 D Skyrme
24 0/4- NOBLE STORM 390 P Jones 6-10-0 D Walls (7)
25 -14U EYELIGHT 16 (D,F) R Hollinshead 11-10-0 Gary Lyons (7)
26 100- GILLIE'S WAFFLE 348 (D,G) B Smart 7-10-0 T Pinfold

5-4 Speckyfoureyes, 11-4 Hawaiian Heir, 6-1 Eyelight, 10-1 Arctic Reef, 12-1 Ryans Dove, 14-1 others.

2.30 BBC RADIO STOKE SELLING HANDICAP HURDLE (£917: 2m 4f) (12)

2 26-5 MAID MARINER 8 (F,G) Miss G Rees 6-11-10 W Worthington
6 6301 BOLD ANSWER 12 (F) W Clay 5-11-5 (6ex) Diane Clay (4)
7 /00- RUSH THE BANK 268 (G) J Hill 6-11-4 —
8 0-54 STAR SHINER 29 R Juckes 5-11-1 W McFarland (7)
12 005- BEDROCK 2 (F) P Davis 5-10-13 Tamya Davis (4)
13 00-F PREWELLI 5 D Gandolfo 5-10-12 S McNeill
14 060- TUESDAY EVENING 118 (G,S) William Price 4-10-11 A Price (7)
15 00-0 ULYSSES 24 J Parish 4-10-10 R Goldstein
16 6R44 JANAAB 10 J Harris 6-10-10 J A Harris
17 -024 LA MOLINILLA 24 Miss S Wilton 5-10-10 S Smith Eccles
18 -40P BEATTY'S LAD 26 R Thompson 4-10-10 R Dunwoody
19 06-6 DEBRIS 24 W A Stephenson 6-10-10 C Grant

2-1 Bold Answer, 7-2 Maid Mariner, 9-2 La Molinilla, 13-2 Bedrock, 8-1 Debris, Star Shiner, 16-1 others.

3.0 TAYLORSTEEL INTERMEDIATE CHASE (£1,881: 2m 4f) (5)

5 211F VISTULE 19 (CD,BF,F) Miss S Wilton 6-11-6 S Smith Eccles
8 9S-U BISHOPDALE 16 (BF,G,S) W A Stephenson 7-10-12 C Grant
9 00/P THE CONTRACTOR 24 P Davis 8-10-12 J Osborne
10 -324 CAROGROVE 5 J Bukovets 5-10-9 J D Doyle
11 6-P0 CLAIR SOLEIL 12 Mrs J Croft 8-10-7 W Humphreys (4)

4-5 Vistule, 6-4 Bishopdale, 7-1 Carogrove, 16-1 The Contractor, 40-1 Clair Soleil.

3.30 LIQUID GOLD HANDICAP CHASE (£1,953: 3m 2f) (6)

1 132- GRATIFICATION 124 (B,BF,F,G,S) C Brooks 11-12-5 P Scudamore
2 FU4- SID MCQUAID 140 (D,S) W A Stephenson 7-11-0 C Grant
5 03-4 PERNOIC 12 (C,F) J Dalton 8-10-0 B de Haan
6 -43P JIMMY MIFF 21 (CD,F,G,S) I Wardle 16-10-0 M Williams
7 320/ WINSOR BOND 19 (G) J Bukovets 10-10-0 J D Doyle
8 46-3 KEMALS SECRET 20 R Curtis 8-10-0 R Goldstein

8-11 Gratification, 3-1 Kemals Secret, 6-1 Winsor Bond, 12-1 Pernoic, 16-1 Sid Mcquaid, 20-1 Jimmy Miff.

4.0 COMPUTER DISASTER RECOVERY HANDICAP HURDLE (£1,716: 3m) (6)

3 0/4-5 HURRICANE HENRY 24 (F,S) J Bennett 5-11-10 S Shilston
4 5555 ARBITRAGE 13 (G,S) B Forsey 7-11-8 N Coleman
5 12-3 NORTHERN RULER 47 (CD,G,S) R Thompson 6-11-4 R Dunwoody
9 F-22 LEAVE IT TO BALLY 12 P Bevan 8-10-12 J Burton (7)
11 1125 FLORI WONDER 12 (CD,F,G) J Davies 8-10-8 S McCrystal (7)
13 144- MARSHAL BLAKE 115 (B,BF,F) Miss S Wilton 5-10-0 S Davies (7)

7-4 Northern Ruler, 11-4 Leave It To Bally, 4-1 Flori Wonder, 5-1 Marshal Blake, 8-1 Arbitrage, Hurricane Henry.

4.30 MCS LTD NOVICES CHASE (£1,537: 2m) (6)

1 34-1 DOWNHILL RUN 5 (D,F) J White 7-11-7 A Jones
2 4432 STORMGUARD 10 (D,F) W Clay 5-11-5 J D Doyle
3 F/P- BALLYTRENT 161 R Brotherton 8-11-0 Mr G Hanmer
4 4 CAPAGENIE 47 D Williams 6-11-0 R Dunwoody
8 /02- LISARDA 115 (D,G) Mrs E Heath 9-11-0 Mr P Harding-Jones (7)
11 3-PP DUBLINAIRE 33 D Burchell 5-10-7 D J Burchell (4)

13-8 Downhill Run, 2-1 Stormguard, 4-1 Lisarda, 7-1 Capagenie, 16-1 Ballytrent, 33-1 Dublinaire.

5.0 BBC RADIO DERBY NOVICES HURDLE (£693: 2m) (6)

1 -411 CASH CRISIS 17 (D,F) O Brennan 8-11-12 M Brennan
3 /521 PALLAVICINA 12 (D,F) W Clay 8-11-5 Diane Clay
6 2-04 FAST REALM 12 (12) D Wellcome 5-10-12 M Bastard
11 320- FAVOURITE GUEST 167 Miss S Wilton 4-10-10 G McCourt
15 068- TOUCH OF SPEED 26F M Francis 4-10-10 P Scudamore
16 22-3 SAILORS PRIDE 12 B Morgan 8-10-7 T Wall

2-1 Favourite Guest, 11-4 Cash Crisis, 9-2 Pallavicina, 6-1 Sailors Pride, 8-1 Fast Realm, 10-1 Touch Of Speed.

Course specialists

TRAINERS: D Burchell, 8 winners from 32 runners, 25.0%; M Pipe, 6 from 26, 23.1%; Miss S Wilton, 4 from 25, 16.0%; W A Stephenson, 8 from 52, 15.4%; W Clay, 14 from 113, 12.4%; I Wardle, 4 from 36, 11.1%.

JOCKEYS: B de Haan, 6 winners from 24 rides, 25.0%; G McCourt, 5 from 21, 23.8%; C Cowley, 4 from 18, 22.2%; M Williams, 7 from 34, 20.6%; D J Burchell, 3 from 15, 20.0%; Diane Clay, 7 from 38, 18.4%.

PERTH

Selections

By Mandarin

2.15 Yorkshire Holly. 2.45 Dinny Walsh. 3.15 Raisabillion. 3.45 Castle Warden. 4.15 Allten Glazed. 4.45 Welknown Character.

Going: good

2.15 SCONE NOVICES HURDLE (4-Y-O: £1,315: 2m) (12 runners)

2 COP FOR THAT Miss J Eaton 6-11-0 Ger Lyons (4)
3 506- DANISH FOLLY 143 M Naughton 6-11-0 P Harte (4)
4 000- DUBALEA 151 J Haldane 5-11-0 N Doughty
6 06-0 HILL RYDE 17 J Leadbetter 5-11-0 C Hawkins
10 412- YORKSHIRE HOLLY 159 (S) Mrs G Reveley 5-11-0 P Niven
12 03-0 BOBBIE STACK 34 W Fairgrieve 4-10-13 G Bradley
14 030- HALLCROSS 9F (V) Miss S Hall 4-10-13 —
15 0-62 NICKEL SILVER 17 (BF) G Richards 4-10-13 P Tuck
15 30-6 ROLIAD 17 J J O'Neill 4-10-13 M Dwyer
18 60-4 EFFICIENT 34 Miss M Benson 5-10-9 NON-RUNNER
20 2 CANDLEBRIGHT 26 G Richards 4-10-8 J Hansen
22 R6-0 HIGHRYMER 17 J Brockbank 4-10-8 P Dennis

7-4 Nickel Silver, 5-2 Yorkshire Holly, 7-2 Roliad, 6-1 Candlebright, 10-1 Danish Folly, 12-1 others.

2.45 LUNCARTY NOVICES' CHASE (£1,084: 2m) (6)

1 030- DINNY WALSH 143 (F,S) J Edwards 7-11-7 T Morgan
2 U5-2 IMPERTAIN 21 T Cunningham 8-11-7 S Cunningham (7)
3 PP/ JUPITER PRINCE 507 R Johnson 9-11-7 Mr P Johnson (7)
4 2005 PLEDGDON GREEN 5 (S) V Thompson 8-11-7 Mr M Thompson
6 4P-P TOT 34 (F,G,S) J Charlton 8-11-7 P Dennis
7 013- PANTOMIME PRINCE 126 (F,G) C Thornton 5-11-5 D Wilkinson

2-1 Dinny Walsh, 3-1 Pantomime Prince, 9-2 Tot, 6-1 Impertain, 8-1 Pledgdon Green, 10-1 Jupiter Prince.

3.15 TAY HANDICAP HURDLE (£1,253: 2m 4f) (7)

1 -U2P MUSIC BE MAGIC 17 (BF,C,F,S) G Richards 9-12-5 J Hansen
2 2-23 HOLLY BUOY 24 (D,F,G,S) Mrs G Reveley 8-12-3 —
3 351- RAISABILLION 184 (D,F,G,S) G Moore 6-12-0 M Hammond
4 10-2 AMATORY 19 (F) K Bailey 5-11-12 M Perrett
5 0F0- SOONER STILL 201 (S) J Edwards 4-11-10 T Morgan
8 12-1 EASTERN OASIS 33 (CD,F,S) J Andrews 5-10-9 Mrs S Bradburne
12 2FPP PRINCE MOON 23 (F,S) G Balding 8-10-0 W McFarland (7)

9-4 Sooner Still, 7-2 Eastern Oasis, 4-1 Raisabillion, 9-2 Amatory, 6-1 Holly Buoy, 10-1 others.

3.45 HIGHLAND SPRING PERTHSHIRE CHALLENGE CUP HANDICAP CHASE (£2,877: 3m) (5)

2 210- CASTLE WARDEN 159 (CD,F,G,S) J Edwards 11-11-11 T Morgan
3 112- PROUD CON 136 (D,G,S) J Charlton 9-10-4 P Dennis
4 44/- POUNENTES 647 (B,CD,F,G,S) W McGhie 11-10-0 C Dennis (4)
5 005- MELEREK 146 (CD,F,G,S) G Moore 13-10-0 M Hammond
6 41/- YALISKARI 488 (F) Miss J Eaton 7-10-0 Ger Lyons (4)

Evens Castle Warden, 5-2 Melerek, 4-1 Proud Con, 12-1 Pounentes, 14-1 Yaliskari.

4.15 TAMEROSIA CHALLENGE CUP HANDICAP CHASE £1,163: 2m) (5)

2 604- ALLTEN GLAZED 166 (D,G,S) M Naughton 11-12-0 P Harte (4)
4 2-12 TACTICO 24 (F,S) (BF,CD) W Fairgrieve 8-10-4 G Bradley
5 /12- AL-ALAM 353 (D,F,G) G Richards 8-10-2 P Tuck
6 2-F3 BROAD BEAM 10 (D,F,G,S) K Bailey 8-10-0 M Perrett
10 62-6 SIMON BOLIVAR 10 (D,F) J Birkett 9-10-0 C Hawkins

13-8 Tactico, 5-2 Al Alam, 9-2 Allten Glazed, 6-1 Broad Beam, 8-1 Simon Bolivar.

4.45 COLONEL JOHN MCKIE AMATEUR RIDERS NOVICES HURDLE (£997: 2m 4f) (12)

1 4316 BULLET TRAIN 24 (CD,S) J Parkes 5-11-13 —
2 25/- DARWINA 501 R Johnson 6-11-7 Mr K Johnson (7)
4 0-50 INTO THE GLEN 16 W A Stephenson 5-11-7 Mr A Costello (7)
5 2P-2 WELKNOWN CHARACTER 10 J J O'Neill 6-11-7 Mr T Byrne (7)
6 6P00 DROVERS ROAD 17 N Waggott 7-11-2 Miss T Waggott (7)
7 EAST ENDS LADY S Payne 5-11-2 Mrs J Thurlow (7)
8 4P/- ERRIMOW 495 Miss J Eaton 9-11-2 Miss L Eaton (7)
9 /PP- FENCALINA 297 P Liddle 5-11-2 Mr A Robson (7)
10 2F0- HIGHFRITH 161 G Richards 5-11-2 Mr P Doyle (7)
11 LUNAR CARGO Mrs S Bradburne 8-11-2 Mr J Bradburne (7)
12 40- EXIT LAUGHING 8F (B) R Allan 4-11-0 Mr M Thompson (4)
13 56-3 FORALLOVUS 33 Mrs D Thomson 4-11-0 Mr D Mactaggart (7)

10-11 Welknown Character, 4-1 Highfrith, 6-1 Exit Laughing, 8-1 Bullet Train, 10-1 Into The Glen, 12-1 others.

Course specialists

TRAINERS: Miss S Hall, 3 winners from 7 runners, 42.9%; J Edwards, 14 from 37, 37.8%; G Richards, 23 from 91, 25.3%; T Cunningham, 3 from 12, 25.0%; G Moore, 9 from 39, 23.1%; Mrs G Reveley, 3 from 14, 21.4%.

JOCKEYS: T Morgan, 9 winners from 19 rides, 47.4%; M Dwyer, 9 from 21, 42.9%; P Dennis, 5 from 17, 29.4%; C Dennis, 3 from 13, 23.1%; P Tuck, 17 from 75, 22.7%; N Doughty, 9 from 40, 22.5%.

(Not including yesterday's results)

ASCOT

Selections

By Mandarin	By Our Newmarket Correspondent
2.00 Chimes Of The Dawn.	2.00 Propero.
2.30 Statoblest.	2.30 Statoblest.
3.05 ALMAARAD (nap).	3.05 Nayrizi.
3.40 Ensconse.	3.40 ENSCONSE (nap).
4.10 For Action.	4.10 Majestician.
4.40 Eezepeeze.	4.40 Dubrovnik.
5.10 Cielamour.	5.10 Cielamour.

By Michael Seely
2.00 VANROY (nap). 3.05 Almaarad. 3.40 Ensconse.
The Times Private Handicapper's top rating: 5.10 MARBELLA SILKS.
Marten Julian's (Sunday Times) revised nap: 4.10 GO FORUM.

Going: good to firm **Draw: 6f-1m, high numbers best**

2.0 SWINLEY FOREST HANDICAP (£8,272: 1m) (13 runners)

101 (4) 031604 BIN SHADDAD 19 (D,F,G,S) (A Al-Jalleh) Miss M Piggott 4-10-0 R Cochrane 94
104 (6) 052-065 STOCK HILL LASS 14 (D,F,G,S) (Mrs M Fairbairn) L Cottrell 6-9-2 N Adams 89
106 (9) 401066 GHAAER 41 (C,D,F,S) (H Al-Maktoum) R Armstrong 3-8-13 M Roberts 94
108 (3) 012140 PROPERO 8 (G,S) (Miss E Williams) R Boss 3-8-13 Pat Eddery 91
108 (2) 336110 MAHRAJAN 36 (D,BF,F,G) (Mrs F Harris) C Benstead 4-8-8 T Quinn 91
110 (10) 036005 CUVEE CHARLIE 12 (D,S) (R Davies) H Collingridge 4-8-5 M Rimmer 92
112 (12) 453004 BURKAN 26 (B,F) (F Kalla) N Callaghan 3-8-4 W Carson ● 99
113 (8) 131522 FACT FINDER 19 (CD,BF,G,S) (A Spence) R Akehurst 4-8-1 T Williams 96
114 (5) 233412 COINCIDENTAL 8 (D,F,G,S) (Turf Racing Service) D Chapman 5-8-0 A Munro (5) 94
116 (7) 610602 CHIMES OF THE DAWN 12 (D,F) (C Cyzer) S Norton 4-7-12 C HOdgson (7) 96
117 (11) 101106 CHASE THE DOOR 24 (D,F,G) (C Dodson) J Sutcliffe 3-7-10 Dale Gibson (5) 93
119 (1) 060050 SERGEANT MERYLL 24 (D,G,S) (Mrs J Moodie) P Howling 4-7-7 G Bardwell (5) 91
121 (13) 416111 VANROY 14 (D,F,G,S) (Mrs J Small) J Mackie 4-7-7 (5ex) G Hind (5) 96

Long handicap: Sergeant Meryll 7-5, Vanroy 7-2.

BETTING: 7-2 Vanroy, 9-2 Bin Shaddad, 5-1 Chimes of the Dawn, 8-1 Coincidental, 10-1 Fact Finder, Stock Hill Lass, 12-1 Ghaaer, 14-1 Burkan, Cuvee Charlie, 16-1 others.

1987: SINGLE 5-8-10 Pat Eddery (13-8 fav) W Wightman 9 ran

FORM GHAAER, a comfortable 1½l winner from Marasid on firm ground at Newcastle (1m) in June, can regain the winning thread. A very disappointing 6th to Wretham at Newbury (1m) last time out. He had earlier looked most unlucky when 6th to Kingsfold Flame in similar handicap company to this at Ascot (1m) and looks well treated here.
VANROY is an obvious danger. A most impressive 5l winner from Single at Ascot (1m) on his penultimate start he proved reverting to 7f posed no problems when beating Premier Lad by 1l at Doncaster (7f).
BIN SHADDAD was by no means disgraced when 4th of 9, beaten just over 5l, to Sweet Chesne at Kempton (1m).
CHASE THE DOOR has proved disappointing of late but would have every chance on his 2l beating of George Hobart at Windsor (1m 70yd) in June where FACT FINDER (5lb better off) was a further 3l away in 5th. MAHRAJAN is best judged on his 3l beating of Checkpoint Charlie at Newmarket (1m 2f) where PROPERO (1lb worse off) was a further 4½l away in 4th.
Selection: GHAAER

2.30 EBF CLARENCE HOUSE MAIDEN STAKES (2-Y-O: £7,327: 6f) (10 runners) BBC 2

201 (7) BIN DAAHIR (H Al-Maktoum) P Walwyn 9-0 Pat Eddery —
202 (10) 5 CHRISTMAS HOLS 12 (C Cyzer) S Norton 9-0 W Newnes —
204 (3) GENERAL THOUANY (Al-Deera Bloodstock Ltd) G Fyche 9-0 J Carter —
205 (1) 0 MELTDOWN MONDAY 26 (Kennet Valley Ltd) R Williams 9-0 M Roberts —
206 (4) 24 SANTA TECLA 35 (H Kaskel) B Hills 9-0 M Hills 98
207 (6) 52 SAPPHO COMET 55 (BF) (Sir Thomas Pilkington) J Dunlop 9-0 W Carson 87
208 (9) 2 STATOBLEST 13 (BF) (R Duchossois) L Cumani 9-0 R Cochrane ● 99
211 (6) 5 YOUNG BOLLA 77 (M Landi) D O'Donnell 9-0 G Starkey —
212 (2) YOUNG OAK (R E A Bott Ltd) C Nelson 9-0 J Reid —
213 (5) RUSSIAN ROYAL (Sheikh Mohammed) M Stoute 8-9 W R Swinburn —

BETTING: 9-4 Santa Tecla, 5-2 Statoblest, 3-1 Russian Royal, 8-1 Sappho Comet, 12-1 Bin Daahir, Young Oak, 16-1 others.

1987: HARP ISLET 9-0 R Cochrane (Evens fav) L Cumani 8 ran

FORM Luca Cumani won this last year and bids for a repeat success with STATOBLEST. He created a most favourable impression when running on strongly to finish ¾l 2nd to Nazanin at Goodwood (6f) and is sure to come on for the race. RUSSIAN ROYAL, a $275,000 yearling is from a stable with a juvenile strike rate of 26% may however land the spoils. Beautifully bred, by Nureyev out of a very smart US dam who won up to 1m 2f on the flat, she is reportedly a cut above average.
Of the other newcomers BIN DAAHIR, by French 2000 guineas winner Blushing Groom out of a very well-related dam, makes the most appeal.
SANTA TECLA was somewhat disappointing when 4th in a group II event at York (6f) last time after a most promising neck 2nd to Northern Tryst at Goodwood (6f) but has obvious claims here.
SAPPHO COMET ran on really well to finish 1½l 2nd to Regent Light at Goodwood (7f) last time but may not be suited by this shorter trip.
Selection: RUSSIAN ROYAL

3.5 HOOVER CUMBERLAND LODGE STAKES (Group III: £27,948: 1m 4f) (7 runners) BBC 2

301 (1) 10-1141 ALMAARAD 36 (CD,F,G,S) (H Al-Maktoum) J Dunlop 5-8-7 W Carson 92
302 (7) 1165-23 LOVE THE GROOM 13 (CD,F,G) (Mrs V Gaucci del Bono) J Dunlop 4-9-5 J Reid 87
303 (3) 421520 RAMBO DANCER 21 (G) (M Al-Maktoum) M Stoute 4-9-0 W R Swinburn 83
305 (2) 450116 TOP CLASS 12 (D,F,G) (Capt. M Lemos) C Brittain 3-8-10 M Roberts 86
306 (6) 42-12 ASSATIS 58 (S) (K Abdulla) G Harwood 3-8-5 Pat Eddery 98
307 (4) 11-2224 INSAN 11 (G,S) (F Salman) P Cole 3-8-5 T Quinn ● 99
309 (5) 12131 NAYRIZI 13 (C,D,F,S) (Aga Khan) L Cumani 3-8-5 R Cochrane 85

BETTING: 5-4 Almaarad, 15-8 Insan, 7-1 Assatis, 8-1 Love the Groom, 14-1 Nayrizi, 16-1 Top Class, 25-1 Rambo Dancer.

1987: MOON MADNESS 4-9-7 Pat Eddery (6-5 fav) J Dunlop 5 ran

FORM ALMAARAD, impressive 1½l winner of a group I event in germany (1m 4f) last time can prove the winner, like stablemate Moon Madness last year. The fast surface will be ideal for John Dunlop's charge who ran a fine race when 5l 4th to Mtoto in the King George at Ascot (1m 4f).
INSAN is the obvious danger. Runner-up to Derby winner Kahyasi on two of his three starts this year, one of which was a short head defeat in the Irish Derby, he showed he well being with a length 4th to Fijar Tango in a group II event at Longchamp (1m 4f) recently.
LOVE THE GROOM disappointed when 9¾l 3rd of 5 to Mtoto in the Select Stakes at Goodwood (1m 2f) last time and is the stables second string. ASSATIS ran a fine race in defeat when beaten 2l by subsequent St Leger winner Minster Son at Goodwood (1m 4f) last time and clearly holds TOP CLASS, an outclassed last of 6, at Doncaster. *NAYRIZI was all out to beat Mewaloon by a short head at Doncaster (1m 4f) and he, like* RAMBO DANCER, steps up a grade here.
Selection: ALMAARAD

Course specialists

TRAINERS	Winners	Runners	Per cent	JOCKEYS	Winners	Rides	Per cent
L Cumani	14	54	25.9	R Hills	3	7	42.9
D Thom	3	12	25.0	R Hills	8	42	19.0
M Stoute	29	122	23.8	Pat Eddery	36	206	17.5
G Harwood	19	89	21.3	G Starkey	16	96	16.7
R Akehurst	5	24	20.8	M Roberts	9	55	16.4
H Thomson Jones	10	53	18.9	M L Thomas	3	19	15.8

BEVERLEY

Selections

By Mandarin	By Our Newmarket Correspondent
2.15 Vilmax.	2.15 Nasturtium.
2.45 Shadeux.	2.45 Nobby.
3.15 Rapid Lad.	3.15 Basirah.
3.45 Deftly.	3.45 Chess Mistress.
4.15 Beckingham Ben.	4.15 —
4.45 The Freshes.	4.45 The Freshes.
5.15 Housework.	5.15 Laughing Chick.

Going: firm **Draw: 5f-1m, high numbers best**

2.15 DRIFFIELD ALL-AGED SELLING STAKES £1,097: 5f) (24 runners)

1 (15) 000006 BATON BOY 8 (B,G) (S Pedersen) J Wainwright 7-10-1 — 86
2 (9) 600030 CHINA GOLD 3 (D,F,G) (Mrs D Ibbotson) Miss L Siddall 9-10-1 — 87
5 (7) 108-050 SLY MAID 43 (D,F) (R Baker) B Richmond 5-9-12 K Fallon (3) —
6 (11) 2030/-00 CAUSEWAY FOOT 57 (B) (B Land) Ronald Thompson 4-9-5 — —
10 (19) 000 LIVING PROOF 12 (T Hillback) J P Smith 4-9-5 M Wigham —
12 (4) 000000 MR BERKELEY 73 (D,F) (Mrs C Tinkler) C Tinkler 4-9-5 M Birch —
13 (17) 000-600 MUMMY'S CHANCE 40 (B) (Mrs R Heathcote) J Berry 4-9-5 J Carroll 86
14 (24) 0-00000 BALLAD TUNE 64 (Mrs I Pryce) Ronald Thompson 3-9-3 R P Elliott —
17 (20) 000605 LOCH QUEST 26 (Mrs M Jones) K Stone 3-9-3 G Brown 77
22 (14) 5-02333 VILMAX 69 (BF) (E Gethin) B McMahon 5-9-2 T Ives 77
23 (6) 005450 ALMETISE 26 (D,G) (J Woof) B McMahon 3-9-0 M Lynch (5) 81
24 (12) 00000-0 KARRI 31 (Mrs B Taylor) S Mellor 3-9-0 Dana Mellor (5) —
26 (18) 000600 PETITE ANGEL 51 (R Hollinshead) R Hollinshead 3-9-0 A Culhane —
27 (16) 5000-00 YOUR OFFICE 29 (J Coupland) M Chapman 3-9-0 — —
31 (23) 406000 EBOR NOVA 24 (B) (I MacDonald) J Wainwright 2-8-0 S Morris 78
32 (13) 04 BEDARRA 9 (R Hutchinson) R Hutchinson 2-7-9 A Mackay 89
33 (8) 02 CAROUSEL KATE 36 (P Elkington) J Harris 2-7-9 R Price (7) —
34 (5) 423200 EVER RECKLESS 29 (B Monkhouse) F Durr 2-7-9 J Lowe 95
35 (3) 032030 FOAMINATHEMOUTH 68 (J Isherwood) P A Charlton 2-7-9 L Charnock 90
37 (10) 000 HOPE AGAINST HOPE 23 (M Atkinson) D Chapman 2-7-9 S Wood (5) —
38 (21) 30510 NASTURTIUM 23 (D,F) (C Spence) D Morley 2-7-9 J Quinn (5) 98
39 (1) 000500 NICE CATCH 49 (J Parkes) J Parkes 2-7-9 M Fry 89
40 (22) 0 RETURN FAIR 43 (D Farhall) J Mackie 2-7-9 A Proud ● 99
41 (2) 436135 SWEET DRAGON 9 (D,F) (J Berry) J Berry 2-7-9 N Carlisle 98

BETTING: 5-1 Sweet Dragon, 6-1 Bedarra, 15-2 Nasturtium, Carousel Kate, 8-1 Ever Reckless, Almetise, Foaminathemouth, 10-1 Loch Quest, Vilmax, 14-1 others.

1987: SAN JUAN SONG 3-8-12 R Morse (33-1) W Turner 14 ran

2.45 TATTERSALLS AUCTION STAKES (2-Y-O: £2,493: 7f 100yd) (12 runners)

2 (4) 3140 JALMUSIQUE 21 (D,F) (Mrs J Pallister) M H Easterby 9-4 M Birch 89
3 (8) 212500 SHADEUX 7 (F) (W Pallister) C Thornton 9-4 M Beecroft ● 99
11 (11) 5 ACCESSOFHORNCHURCH 30 (Miss D Williams) R Boss 8-8 NON-RUNNER —
12 (12) 60 BURNING BREECHES 138 (K Bethel) R Boss 8-8 NON-RUNNER —
13 (1) 006034 EMSLEYS CHOICE 3 (V J Emsley Ltd) T Fairhurst 8-8 Dean McKeown 89
14 (9) 0 NOBBY 8 (Lady Henrietta St. George) M Prescott 8-8 G Duffield —
15 (3) 0500 MISS MOODY 34 (J Ashby) J Wharton 8-7 R Curant 87
18 (2) 0 WHYBROWS 9 (Mrs F Durr) F Durr 8-7 S Perks —
22 (7) 000 MACAQUE 9 (G Troeller) M Johnston 8-5 S Whitworth —
26 (6) 05 KATY LOU 38 (J Ashby) J Wharton 8-4 — 76
30 (10) 00 PARTY MOOD 3 (B) (Mrs J Shine) J Spearing 8-2 B Crossley —
32 (5) 0 MADONNINA 44 (Don Enrico Incisa) Don Enrico Incisa 8-0 Kim Tinkler —

BETTING: 2-1 Jalmusique, 3-1 Shadeux, 9-2 Elmsleys Choice, 8-1 Miss Moody, Whybrows, 10-1 Katy Lou, 12-1 others.

1987: NO CORRESPONDING RACE

3.15 MIDLAND BANK ORCHARD HANDICAP (£2,211: 1m 2f) (13 runners)

2 (8) 000535 THE MAGUE 15 (B,D,F,G) (R Jenkinson) Miss L Siddall 4-9-10 T Ives 93
3 (10) 000440 ROLFESON 12 (G) (Needwood Ltd) B Morgan 4-9-9 N Gwilliams (7) 90
5 (7) 0-45050 MAGNA TRAVAILLE 34 (F) (Mrs R James) S Norton 3-9-8 S Wood 93
7 (11) 0-00010 MY REEF 17 (C,F) (Dewfresh Mushrooms) J Wharton 3-9-6 R Curant 88
8 (12) 401050 RAPID LAD 12 (CD,F,G,S) (S Borsberry) J Spearing 10-9-5 D Nicholls 95
9 (6) 010-010 RUDDA CASS 9 (D,F) (J Slatcher) W Haigh 4-9-5 (5ex) Dean McKeown 95
11 (2) 031225 MASONS AVENUE 17 (BF,G,S) (D Roberts) R Boss 3-9-2 NON-RUNNER —
15 (1) 1-00000 PERSIAN TAPESTRY 3 (D,F) (Binfield Manor Farms) P Cundell 4-8-13 S Whitworth 81
17 (3) 00-00 SNOW RHAPSODY 10 (Mrs G Boss) R Boss 3-8-10 NON-RUNNER —
20 (9) 101056 BASIRAH 9 (C,D,F) (Mrs D Morley) D Morley 3-8-7 M Birch 97
21 (4) 000026 OH DANNY BOY 9 (S) (Mrs N Napier) E Weymes 4-8-6 J Lowe 96
22 (5) 25-5442 INDIAN LOVE SONG 5 (Mrs P Good) R Hollinshead 5-8-3 A Culhane (3) ● 99
24 (13) 00-0400 MRS MAINWARING 9 (A Midani) S Norton 5-7-11 J Quinn (5) 98

BETTING: 5-2 Indian Love Song, 7-2 Rapid Lad, 5-1 Basirah, 7-1 Oh Danny Boy, My Reef, 10-1 The Mague, 10-1 Rudda Cass, 14-1 others.

1987: BOLD DIFFERENCE 3-8-9 R P Elliott (16-1) Ronald Thompson 19 ran

Astronef can outpace British pair

Sleepy Mountain (Paul Cook) and Colmore Row (Dominique Regnard) fly the flag for England in the group three Prix de Seine-et-Oise (6f) at Maisons-Laffitte today (Our French Racing Correspondent writes).

Sleepy Mountain was running on at the finish of the five-furlong Scarbrough Stakes at Doncaster and will appreciate this return to six furlongs.

Colmore Row has only run once this term, finishing last but one in the William Hill Sprint Championship. Willie Jarvis's colt was a smart two-year-old, however, and is still held in high regard by connections.

However, the raiders look outclassed by the home team. Bon Vent has group-winning form to his credit, and is fresh, having not run since July. But the consistent Astronef is in excellent form at present, and is the selection.

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3.40 BLUE SEAL STAKES (2-Y-O fillies: £9,567: 6f) (7 runners) BBC 2

402 (2) 1 ENSCONSE 17 (D,F) (Sheikh Mohammed) L Cumani 8-13 R Cochrane ● 99
403 (3) ALSHAHHAD (H Al-Maktoum) H Thomson Jones 8-8 R Hills —
404 (7) CHARIOT OF PEACE (Mrs C Merza) N Graham 8-8 W Carson —
405 (5) 5 ENCHANTED GODDESS 13 (B Kilpatrick) C Nelson 8-8 J Reid 94
407 (4) GUEST ARTISTE (Sir Philip Oppenheimer) G Wragg 8-8 Pat Eddery —
411 (6) SECRET FAVOR (H Kaskel) B Hills 8-8 M Hills —
413 (1) VIEW FROM ABOVE (P Green) G Harwood 8-8 G Starkey —

BETTING: 5-2 Ensconse, 3-1 Guest Artiste, 4-1 Alshahhad, 5-1 Chariot Of Peace, 8-1 View from Above, 10-1 Enchanted Goddess, 12-1 Secret Favour.

1987: NEW TRENDS 8-8 R Cochrane (8-1) L Cumani 7 ran

FORM ENSCONSE made a highly promising debut when beating the well-regarded Dance Festival at Nottingham (6f) by ¾l and this Lyphard filly can be expected to improve on that effort. She is much preferred to the only other runner in the field with racing experience, ENCHANTED GODDESS, who ran a fair race to finish 6¾l 5th to Nazanin in a 21 runner Goodwood (6f) maiden on her racecourse debut.
However some beautifully bred individuals stand their ground. ALSHAHHAD is from a top class US family being by the top class middle-distance performer Slew O' Gold out a dam who won over this trip as a juvenile. CHARIOT OF PEACE is by Young Generation and is related to several useful middle distance performers.
GUEST ARTISTE, a Be My Guest filly, is closely related to the useful Inchmurrin and is out of a dam who won over 1m 2f. SECRET FAVOR is by 1984 Derby winner Secreto and is a half-sister to French classic winner Recitation. VIEW FROM ABOVE cost 84,000 guineas as a yearling and whose dam won over a mile as a three-year-old.
Selection: ALSHAHHAD

4.10 GORDON CARTER HANDICAP (£8,402: 2m) (14 runners) BBC 2

501 (6) 1-03332 WORKING MODEL 16 (B,S) (Binfield Manor Farms) P Cole 4-9-10 G Thompson (7) 93
502 (8) 32110 LAURIES CRUSADOR 19 (D,BF,F,S) (L James) R Boss 3-8-10 W R Swinburn 91
503 (7) 30-0050 HALCANOR 8 (B,D,S) (Lord Matthews) I Matthews 4-8-9 N Day —
506 (11) 1-60051 MAJESTICIAN 10 (D,F,S) (D Romain) G Pritchard-Gordon 5-8-5 (3ex) Pat Eddery 93
507 (9) 583210 JANISKI 23 (V,CD,F,G) (S Mussoe) Mrs B Waring 5-8-4 J Williams 93
508 (5) 24344-0 ESKIMO MITE 140 (P Byrne) J Jenkins 4-8-4 M Hills 80
510 (13) 113105 GO FORUM 19 (F,G) (The Forum Ltd) J Sutcliffe 3-8-1 M Roberts 94
511 (3) 432003 ALL IS REVEALED 16 (V,CD,F,G) (Mrs I Norman) D Thom 6-8-1 M L Thomas ● 99
512 (2) 6-02823 LALITPOUR 42 (S) (E Kelly) J Jenkins 4-7-13 T Williams 96
513 (1) 031214 LADY ROSANNA 19 (D,G,S) (Mrs W P-Beynon) I Balding 3-7-12 S O'Gorman (5) 95
514 (14) 010413 TILLY TAVI 24 (D,F,G,S) (S Taberner) S Norton 6-7-12 G Hind (5) 96
515 (12) 216602 FOR ACTION 7 (F) (R Sangster) J Hills 3-7-10 E Johnson 98
516 (4) 425-040 NORTHERN ALLIANCE 23 (F,S) (Mrs A Judd) G Lewis 4-7-10 N Adams 96
518 (10) 221054/ DETROIT SAM 23J (F,G) (A Sofroniou) M Francis 7-7-8 G Bardwell (3) —

BETTING: 3-1 Majestician, 9-2 All Is Revealed, 7-1 For Action, Lady Rosanna, 10-1 Lauries Crusador, Working Model, 12-1 Go Forum, Janiski, Tilly Tavi, 16-1 others.

1987: JAMESMEAD 6-9-4 W Carson (14-1) D Elsworth 13 ran

FORM WORKING MODEL was going very well at the 2m mark when ¾l 2nd to Overdrive at Pontefract (2m 2f) last time and will appreciate this shorter trip. Even so the 12l 3rd that day ALL IS REVEALED, who won this race in 1985, is 28lb better off and has definite claims of reversing the form. LAURIES CRUSADOR beat Penny Forum 3l at Lingfield on penultimate start (2m, good to firm) and is an improving three-year-old whose heavy ground 10th last time is best ignored.
MAJESTICIAN also beat Penny Forum last time over 2m 1f at Wolverhampton, but is held on a line through that horse. He will appreciate the fast ground. JANISKI is another who likes the firm, he beat Merlins Magic 1½l at Nottingham on penultimate start (2m) and is a course and distance winner.
GO FORUM, below form over 1m 4f on last two starts, is a stayer who may well improve on a ¾l win over Beldale Star (1m 6f) given the extra quarter mile. LADY ROSANNA rarely runs a bad race and was up to form behind Fire Rocket at Salisbury (1m 6f, firm) with LALITPOUR (7lb worse off) a neck 3rd.
FOR ACTION has improved the further she's gone and confirmed her well being with a neck 2nd to Shortning Bread at Yarmouth last time (2m 2f 26yd).
Selection: GO FORUM (nap)

4.40 GOLDEN GATES NURSERY (2-Y-O: £7,772: 6f) (14 runners)

601 (6) 1213 SIGN PEOPLE 24 (D,F,G) (A C Edwards Ltd) Dr J Scargill 9-7 R Cochrane 89
603 (5) 111135 EEZEPEEZE 19 (D,F,G,S) (J Lvock) D Thom 8-13 B Raymond 94
604 (3) 321230 ABSOLUTELY HUMMING 12 (G) (R Richmond-Watson) D Laing 8-12 T Williams 87
605 (4) 185412 DENHAM GREEN 5 (D,F,S) (P Muldoon) S Muldoon 8-12 (7ex) A Munro (5) ● 99
606 (2) 31015 GRANDIFLORA 12 (D,F) (Miss Bradford) J Dunlop 8-11 J Reid 92
607 (1) 31 KNIGHT OF MERCY 103 (G) (C Blackwell) J Winter 8-9 W R Swinburn 80
608 (9) 221130 ETERNAL TRIANGLE 19 (D,F,S) (Triangle Ltd) S Norton 8-7 Paul Eddery 89
609 (7) 223531 MUSIANICA 12 (D,G) (J Ellis) M Tompkins 8-6 (7ex) Pat Eddery 95
610 (12) 1002 DUBROVNIK 9 (V,F) (Sir Michael Sobell) M Stoute 8-4 W Carson 96
614 (14) 0552 MAFAZA 24 (Prince Yazid Saud) G Huffer 8-0 M Roberts 92
615 (13) 04345 QUEEN ANGEL 28 (Mrs B Fairbairns) R Hannon 7-13 A McGlone 88
618 (8) 250010 MY AUDREES 19 (D,F) (A Speake) P Mitchell 7-9 G Bardwell (3) 91
619 (11) 4306 BE MY RUNNER 31 (S Myers) J Sutcliffe 7-8 Dale Gibson (5) 82
620 (10) 82004 TALONS TALE 16 (Talon Const Ltd) R Hannon 7-7 S Dawson 91

BETTING: 9-2 Dubrovnik, 5-1 Sign People, 6-1 Musianica, 8-1 Grandiflora, 10-1 Eezepeeze, My Audrees, 12-1 Absolutely Humming, Knight Of Mercy, 14-1 Eternal Triangle, Mafaza, 16-1 others.

1987: FORTINBRAS 8-6 W Newnes (20-1) E Weymes 12 ran

FORM SIGN PEOPLE won a Goodwood handicap by 5l in July - with GRANDIFLORA and MY AUDREES well behind - and was far from disgraced when 1¾l 3rd to Wonder Dancer in a Ripon listed race last time. The pick of EEZEPEEZE'S three nursery wins is probably an all the way 2l win from Super Morning at Windsor. DENHAM GREEN had EEZEPEEZE (5lb better off) 3¾l back in 5th when a heavy ground winner at Haydock on penultimate start.
KNIGHT OF MERCY landed the odds in a Sandown maiden (5f) in June with BE MY RUNNER (15lb better off) 14l 4th. MUSIANICA was all out to win a Doncaster nursery last time out and it may prove significant that Willie Carson deserts her in order to ride DUBROVNIK who bounced back to form in a fast run Yarmouth nursery when 1½l 2nd to Cottenham.
MY AUDREES was all out to beat Levitt Lady a head in a Salisbury nursery on penultimate start and has definite claims if reproducing that form.
Selection: DUBROVNIK

5.10 BISHOPSGATE APPRENTICE STAKES (£4,090: 7f) (10 runners)

701 (4) 051260 BRITWYDD 9 (D,S) (C Lorne) M James 5-8-11 R Lappin 50
702 (3) 510330 HYMN OF HARLECH 6 (B,F,G) (T Bullimore) D Elsworth 5-8-11 A Procter 79
704 (10) 000000 MILAN FAIR 9 (A Richards) C Austin 4-8-11 Dale Gibson —
705 (2) 610200 NEVADA MIX 9 (F) (N McConnell) N Gaselee 4-8-11 A Whitehall 73
709 (9) 060401 PARKLANDS BELLE 12 (F,G) (D Hatch) M Haynes 4-8-8 A Leyman (10) 81
710 (6) 000000 RANKSTREET 104 (D,S) (J Rumble) P Arthur 4-8-8 P Baird (10) —
713 (5) 621122 DEFENCE POLICY 12 (BF,G) (R Sangster) B Hills 3-8-6 P Hegarty (8) 91
714 (7) 6-11004 LORDSHIP 25 (D,F,S) (Amey Finance Ltd) R Akehurst 3-8-6 R Hills (3) 84
715 (8) 313152 MARBELLA SILKS 35 (F,G,S) (R Scott) M Ryan 3-8-6 G Bardwell ● 99
716 (1) 302511 CIELAMOUR 7 (D,F) (H De Kwiatkowski) Miss M Piggott 3-8-3 P Barnard (3) 94

BETTING: 6-4 Cielamour, 3-1 Marbella Silks, 4-1 Defence Policy, 8-1 Lordship, 12-1 Hymn Of Harlech, 14-1 Nevada Mix, 20-1 others.

1987: TANOUMA 4-8-2 G Foster (4-6 fav) J Dunlop 5 ran

FORM MARBELLA SILKS' five wins this season have come over 6f. But his performance 2l 2nd to Thaidah over 7f in a York listed race on latest start was right up to form and regular partner Gary Bardwell is one of the most experienced jockeys in the field.
CIELAMOUR has won her last two races after being dropped in grade, an odds-on win at Yarmouth last time and a 6l beating of the consistent but one-paced DEFENCE POLICY (12lb better off). His best winning form was a 4l Thirsk graduation victory over Kashshaf.
LORDSHIP gave notice that he is ready to show his best form when 4l 5th (promoted to 4th) in a Newmarket handicap. The older horses face a stiff task. Best of them are Windsor handicap winner HYMN OF HARLECH and NEVADA MIX who acts on fast ground and goes well for a claimer.
Selection: MARBELLA SILKS

Guide to our in-line racecard

103 (12) 0-0432 GOOD TIMES 74 (CD,BF,F,G,S) (Mrs D Robinson) B Hall 9-10-0 B West (4) 88

Racecard number. Draw in brackets. Six-figure form (F – fell. P – pulled up. U – unseated rider. B – brought down. S – slipped up. R – refused. D – disqualified). Horse's name. Days since last outing; J if jumps. F if flat. (B – blinkers. V – visor. H – hood. E – Eyeshield. C – course winner. D – distance winner. CD – course and distance winner. BF – beaten favourite in latest race). Going on which horse has won (F – firm, good to firm, hard. G – good. S – soft, good to soft, heavy). Owner in brackets. Trainer. Age and weight. Rider plus any allowance. The Times Private Handicapper's rating.

3.45 SNOWY GRAY MEMORIAL HANDICAP (£2,868: 2m) (9 runners)

2 (3) 00-0000 CORNAGE 36 (C,D,F) (Mrs J de Rothschild) R Johnson Houghton 5-9-10 K Darley 87
3 (7) 043524 TEMPLE REEF 24 (V,S) (Mrs A Ferguson) J Dunlop 4-9-6 G Duffield 96
4 (2) 121652 DEFTLY 8 (D,F,G) (R Bradley) W Elsey 4-9-6 K Fallon (3) 96
5 (1) 103333 CALABRESE 19 (S) (C Spence) D Morley 3-9-4 M Birch 88
7 (4) 012410 CLEAVERS GATE 23 (B,F) (K Stringer) W Watts 3-9-1 N Connorton 93
13 (9) 680-22 JINGA 17 (Lavinia Duchess of Norfolk) Lady Herries 3-8-5 T Ives 92
19 (5) 00004 CHESS MISTRESS 17 (J Philpott Jr) S Hanbury 3-7-9 N Carlisle ● 99
20 (8) 00-6000 LOVENKO 44 (D Jackson) R Whitaker 4-7-7 M Fry —
22 (6) 635650 NICOPHANA 23 (R Olgeta) Don Enrico Incisa 4-7-7 Kim Tinkler 92

Long handicap: Lovenko 7-5, Nicophana 6-9.

BETTING: 9-4 Deftly, 11-4 Jinga, 4-1 Cleavers Gate, 11-2 Chess Mistress, 7-1 Temple Reef, 9-1 Calabrese, 12-1 others.

1987: BUSTAMENTE 4-9-10 M Hills (9-2) B Hills 18 ran

4.15 LEVY BOARD HANDICAP (£1,644: 5f) (16 runners)

3 (2) 105600 NAGEM 16 (F) (D Brereton) L Barratt 5-9-10 A Proud ● 99
4 (1) 140040 UPTOWN GIRL 8 (B,CD,F,G,S) (Mrs J Lockwood) D Chapman 5-9-8 S Webster 93
6 (5) 060000 GOLDEN FLATS 23 (B,CD,F,G) (C Buckton) M W Easterby 3-9-5 — 91
9 (13) 140016 BECKINGHAM BEN 23 (V,CD,F,G) (H Pickering) J Leigh 4-9-3 D Nicholls 96
10 (7) 400000- THE HILCOTE CLUB 251J (D,F,S) (G Northage) R Woodhouse 5-9-2 — —
12 (15) 200600 BALKAN LEADER 5 (B,D,G) (A F Budge Ltd) Jimmy FitzGerald 4-8-13 K Fallon (3) 91
13 (10) 314000 DANCING BELLE 3 (D,F,G) (T Fairhurst) T Fairhurst 4-8-13 Dean McKeown 97
17 (16) 320420 THEKKIAN 24 (D,G) (C Owens) R Hollinshead 4-8-10 A Culhane (3) 98
20 (9) 0-01006 SAINT NAVARRO 101 (B,D,F) (Mrs M Fletcher) B McMahon 3-8-9 T Ives 97
21 (8) 0-06000 PINEAPPLE'S PRIDE 16 (D,S) (Pineapple Clothing Ltd) J Berry 4-8-4 J Carroll 95
22 (12) 000506 PRINCESS DISIGNER 27 (V) (Havenwood Con's Ltd) K Stone 3-8-4 A Mackay 92
23 (6) 000540 CONVINCING 90 (Mrs P Joynes) J Spearing 4-8-3 — 94
24 (14) 3-23046 BUNNYLOCH 28 (B) (P Heap) J Etherington 4-8-1 J Lowe 14 95
25 (11) 040030 MANABEL 9 (G) (B,D) (A Ripley) S Bowring 6-7-12 S Wood (5) 94
28 (4) 200000 TIME FOR JOY 26 (B) (Mrs K Hopps) Mrs N Macauley 4-7-7 Dana Mellor (5) 92
29 (3) 6-00000 LADY'S MANTLE 43 (D,S) (P Tallack) R Bastiman 4-7-7 N Carlisle 89

Long handicap: Lady's Mantle 7-4.

BETTING: 11-2 Thekkian, 13-2 Uptown Girl, Nagem, 7-1 Beckingham Ben, 8-1 Saint Navarro, 9-1 Convincing, Balkan Leader, 10-1 Dancing Belle, Bunnyloch, Princess Disigner, 14-1 others.

1987: NO CORRESPONDING RACE

4.45 SANCTION GRADUATION AUCTION STAKES (£1,825: 1m 4f) (4 runners)

1 (2) 460320 ANOTHER NONSENSE 9 (G) (Hyde Limited) R Whitaker 4-9-12 Dean McKeown 59
4 (1) 362310 THE FRESHES 8 (G) (Mrs N Farmer) W Jarvis 3-9-5 T Ives ● 99
5 (4) 310002 WINTER STORM 9 (G) (R Beeding) J Etherington 3-9-5 M Birch 81
9 (3) 003624 LE CYGNE 16 (Sir Thomas Pilkington) J Dunlop 3-8-8 G Duffield 96

BETTING: 11-10 The Freshes, 13-8 Le Cygne, 7-2 Winter Storm, 14-1 Another Nonsense.

1987: PANIENKA 3-8-8 G Duffield (12-1) J Dunlop 9 ran

5.15 EBF WILLERBY MAIDEN FILLIES STAKES (2-Y-O: £2,209: 1m 100yd) (8 runners)

8 (7) 4620 ENCHANTING MELODY 21 (V) (Mrs P Farr) M W Easterby 8-11 D Nicholls ● 98
9 (8) 0 GLINT ANGEL 31 (Mrs V Gaucci del Bono) J Dunlop 8-11 G Duffield —
10 (6) 640 GREEN'S STILL LIFE 24 (Richard Green (Fine Paintings)) P Cole 8-11 M Birch 89
11 (3) 6 HOUSEWORK 14 (The Queen) I Balding 8-11 T Ives 98
15 (5) LAUGHING CHICK (Sir Michael Sobell) C Brittain 8-11 G Baxter —
16 (4) 0 SARNIA HOLLOW 54 (T Taylor) M Tompkins 8-11 A Mackay —
17 (2) SCOTGAVOTTE (B Nordan) M Camacho 8-11 N Connorton —
18 (1) 60 SWEET ON WILLIE 7 (Brian Yeardley Continental Ltd) S Norton 8-11 J Lowe 87

BETTING: 9-4 Housework, 4-1 Enchanting Melody, 11-2 Green's Still Life, 5-1 Laughing Chick, 6-1 Sweet On Willie, 10-1 Sarnia Hollow, 12-1 Glint Angel, 14-1 others.

1987: STRYDER 8-11 M Roberts 13-2 R Boss 15 ran

Course specialists

TRAINERS	Winners	Runners	Per cent	JOCKEYS	Winners	Rides	Per cent
P Cole	6	25	24.0	T Ives	13	59	22.0
B Hanbury	5	24	20.8	S Whitworth	4	23	17.4
R Boss	4	23	17.4	M Birch	31	239	13.0
C Thornton	8	49	16.3	M L Thomas	3	25	12.0
C Brittain	9	56	16.1	R P Elliott	8	69	11.6
J Watts	7	46	15.2	Dean McKeown	7	64	10.9

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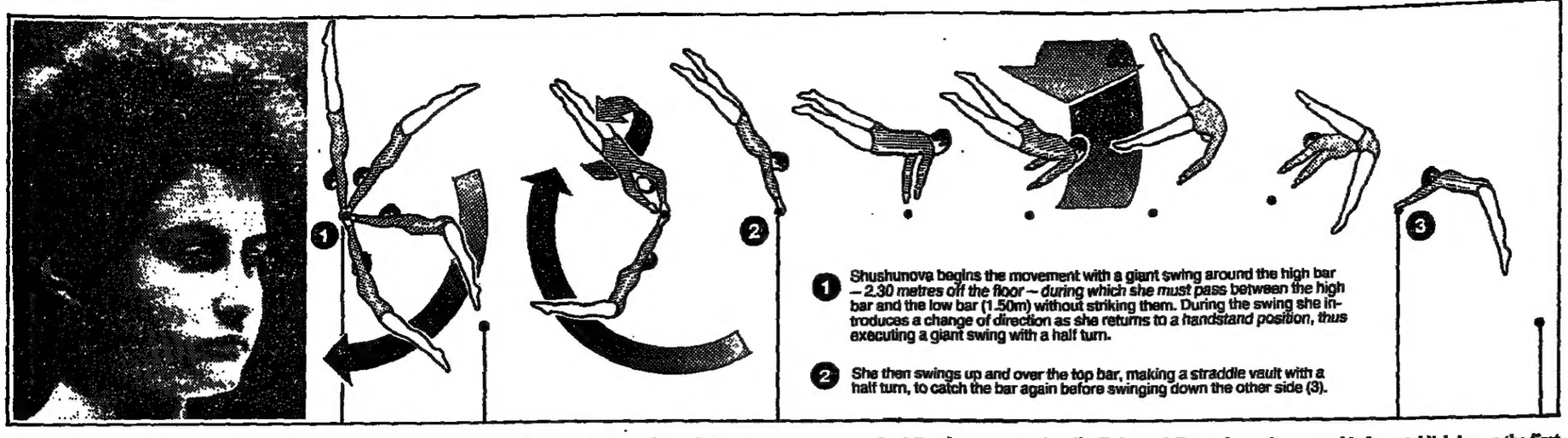
THE TIMES AT THE OLYMPICS

THE SHUSHUNOVA TWIST: A UNIQUE MOVE ON THE ASYMMETRIC BARS



1 Shushunova begins the movement with a giant swing around the high bar – *2.30 metres off the floor – during which she must pass* between the high bar and the low bar (1.50m) without striking them. During the swing she introduces a change of direction as she returns to *a handstand position, thus* executing a giant swing with a half turn.

2 She then swings up and over the top bar, making a straddle vault with a half turn, to catch the bar again before swinging down the other side (3).

Yelena *Shushunova, the 19-year-old Soviet* gymnast, is expected to perform this unique move during her asymmetric bars routine in the all-round individual finals tomorrow (Peter Aykroyd writes). It could be one of *the highlights of these Olympics. It is* described as a giant swing with half-turn to immediate release and straddle vault with half-turn to recatch. Gymnastically, she has created a masterpiece of mechanical perfection to which she adds elegance and beauty.

Shushunova, aged 19, is one of the most notable innovators of the decade and, having helped lead the Russians to the team gold, is a strong contender for the individual title. The former *joint world* champion was the first to peform the 1½ twisting and double-twisting Yurchenko vaults, the full twisting Korbut flip on the beam and the 1¾ *Arabian somersault on floor.*

She is a double world vault champion and an exceptional floor and asymmetric bars performer. Her weakest piece is the beam, on which her chief rival, Daniela Silivas, of *Romania, is renowned.*

After losing her world title in Rotterdam last year to Aurelia Dobre, of Romania, Shushunova lost weight and recovered form to win this year's *Moscow News and French* International tournaments. An Olympic victory would complete her wins of the world's most important titles — world, Olympic, World Cup and European — a feat *achieved just once — by the great Lyudmila* Turishcheva in the 1970s. An Olympic victory would also establish her as the first durable global champion of modern gymnastics.

The daughter of a lorry driver, she comes from Leningrad, where she trains five hours a day, six days a week under the direction of Viktor Gavrichenko. She has been a member of the Soviet national squad since she was 15.

Soviets have greater depth

From John Goodbody

The Soviet Union yesterday dethroned its great gymnastics rival, Romania, to win the women's Olympic team title on an evening of rare drama and immaculate skill.

The struggle between these two countries has dominated this event since Nadia Comaneci won her first European title in 1975.

Yesterday Romania was clearly *unsettled* by the lack of outstanding form of Aurelia Dobre, who broke her kneecap last spring in a training accident. Although she performed nobly to finish sixth overall, she was understandably not quite at the level of 1987, when she was the individual world champion.

Romania also lacked the profound depth of the Soviet Union, who were handicapped by the loss of Olga Strajeva. She tumbled from the beam, fell awkwardly and had to be carried out of the arena.

In the individual positions *Elena Shushunova, of the Soviet* Union, is in the lead for the *combined exercises final tomorrow.*

Several East Germans wobbled or fell off the beam, but they picked themselves up to take the bronze medal, ahead of *the United States.*

The evening was conducted, as so many had been in the Games over the last 12 years, by Bela Karolyi, the former Romanian coach, the man who discovered Comaneci, defected to the United States, inspired Mary Lou Retton to the 1984 Olympic title, is the centre of internecine controversy in American gymnastics and last night was leading the US team.

*He is as flamboyant as Mal*colm Allison and as abrasive as Brian Clough. He constantly carps about the judging and yesterday was everywhere, urging, cajoling, advising and hugging the girls.

A former hammer thrower with little personal proficiency in the sport, he has transformed gymnastics. As he says: "I knew nothing of the sacred gymnastics traditions — all those cute, *delicate girls, just sort of kicking* up their heels and going la, la, la. Imagine it. No one had ever thought of turning them into little bombs."

The Americans may have been only fourth but Karolyi still knows how to detonate gymnasts.

● Karen Kennedy, of Britain, has withdrawn from the Olympic *gymnastics* competition after injuring an ankle in *training.*

SWIMMING

Nesty's gold medal lifts Surinam from the back of beyond

From Steven Downes

To hear Surinam's national anthem for the first time was indeed unex*pected. Not* only had the former colony of Dutch Guiana, in South America, never won an Olympic medal until Anthony Nesty *took the 100 metres* butterfly title, ahead of Matt Biondi, of the United States, and Britain's hope, Andy Jameson, it had never had anyone in a swimming *final* at the Games.

In swimming terms, Suri*nam is very much the back of* beyond, and the way Nesty stole the race from the American was also from the back of Biondi. Biondi blitzed the first *length, in 24.53sec,* leaving Nesty fifth at the turn. Until the final metre, Nesty had only passed three swimmers.

Biondi, however, made the mistake of a novice. "I'm very *angry," he said after* gliding to the wall, to lose by one-hundredth of a second to Nesty's Olympic record of 53.00. Jameson set his second *Commonwealth record in two* days, 53.30sec.

Nesty is thought to be the first black man to win an Olympic swimming medal. *There have been other black* international swimmers — Kevin Burns, from Sheffield, set the British 100 metres freestyle record in 1976 — but few have been successful.

The reason for their scarcity has principally been economic *and social. Swimming is not* the cheapest of sports in which to participate and it is also one *of the least well rewarded.*

When it is considered that there is only one six-lane, 50-metre pool and 10 25-metre pools in Surinam, for a *population of 380,000, it is* hardly surprising that the country has never been a power in swimming.

Nesty was born 20 years ago in Trinidad, one of five children. The family moved to the mainland of South America when he was nine *months old.*

He went to high school in Jacksonville, Florida, and last year won the Pan-American Games title. He is in the first year at Florida University, where he is coached by Randy Reese, one of the United States's staff coaches.

Record reach: Nesty after his last-gasp victory over Biondi

Jameson puts holiday aside

From John Goodbody

The pressures of competitive swimming have resulted in Andy Jameson not having enjoyed a holiday for 14 years. After his bronze medal and Commonwealth record in the 100 metres butterfly, Jameson is preparing to return to his home, *in Bootle,* to decide where to have his long-awaited vacation.

It is typical of the discipline *necessary for Olympic sport that* Jameson, aged 23, is concentrating on his four other races before thinking of relaxation.

The summers spent at competitions or in training camps are not to be wasted, and he would like another medal at these Games. This is not impossible in the 4 x 100 metres medley relay, where Adrian Moorhouse, the 100 metres *breaststroke* champion, and Jameson should put *Britain* in the first three at the start of the freestyle leg.

Jameson said: "It will be very difficult to get a medal. To do so, everyone will have to swim brilliantly. It would be a team effort. Realistically, we could reach the final and, if we got there, realistically we have got to go for it."

He looked back with satisfaction at the final. Immediate *disappointment at third place* changed to pleasure because he *had done his best time.* "No one can do more."

***Jameson thought that if he* repeated the time he had done in being the fastest qualifier for the final that should be sufficient for victory. It was not. Both Anthony Nesty, of Surinam, and Matt Biondi, of the United States, were ahead of him.**

Jameson said the final seemed a lot harder than the heat the previous day, when he was worried that the swim had been "too easy". Part of the tiredness may have been caused by the nervous tension he felt. After the heat he was unable to eat more than four strands of pasta because his stomach was so knotted up.

Moorhouse, with whom he is sharing a flat, wrote him a letter reminding him that the last 25 metres were "British water" *because of his own remarkable* finish to take the title. But Jameson's *sluggish start* gave him too much to recover.

Jameson has to decide whether to continue competing, although he is fairly certain that he will not be swimming at the 1992 Olympics.

Although endorsements and appearance money will be available to leading swimmers, Jameson is keen to start a career now that he has graduated from the University of Arizona. Given his *determination* and eloquence, many doors should open for him.

Darnyi routs opposition

From Steven Downes

On a day of three world records in the Olympic pool, the achievement of Tamas Darnyi *in the 400 metres individual* medley was supreme. Darnyi *demoralized and then demol*ished the finest field ever assem*bled for the gruelling test of the* complete swimmer.

The line-up included three who have held the world record: Jens Peter Berndt, an East German now swimming for West Germany; and David Wharton, an American who held the record for just five days last year before the Hungarian. Darnyi, gained pre-eminence.

The race proved to be between Wharton and Darnyi. Darnyi's turn at 150 metres got him away from Wharton. He spun off the wall so sharply that he gained a two-metre lead. From there he went to victory by 2.61sec from Wharton and Stefano Battistelli, of Italy.

Matt Biondi vented his anger *at being touched out of the 100* metres butterfly title by produc*ing the greatest 4 x 200 metres* freestyle relay leg ever seen.

With the United States about two metres down on the East Germans, *the big Californian* flew from his block at the beginning of the fourth stage, and powered into the lead after two lengths. But then, as he has done in all his races this week, he began to struggle.

"Sure, it was hurting in the last 25," he said, "but I was determined to get up on that victory stand — I was more tired of losing."

For once, Biondi was first to reach the finish, the Americans retaining their Olympic title, and regaining the world record from the West Germans. Biondi's stage, timed at 1min 46.44sec, was the fastest swim *ever in the 800-metre relay.*

Silke Hörner's world record *victory in the women's 200* metres breaststroke was one of *experience over youth.*

Hörner's effort on the third 50 metres, covered in 37.14sec, shot her into the lead, and *Allison Higson,* of Canada, the world record holder, was left behind.

Heike Friedrich, the other East German winner, in the 200 metres freestyle, blamed the scheduling for being deprived of a world record herself.

● Ruth Gilfillan set her second Scottish record in two days when she was second in the consolation final of the 200 metres freestyle.

MODERN PENTATHLON

Phelps and team ready to draw a bead on bronze

By David Miller

My palms were sweating, and I was not even competing. It would have taken beta-blockers to quiet*en my pulse. And nothing* visibly was happening, except *that Richard Phelps was prepar*ing for the 50 minutes or so that would help determine whether he and Britain won Olympic medals.

There is something about shooting that produces a nerve-twitching tension, for the spectator and, for all I know, for the competitor. It is especially true, I think, for the fourth event of the modern pentathlon, in which the competitors are multi-event performers and therefore exposed more than regular marks*men to the tremor created by the* adrenalin so necessary in the other four disciplines. It is difficult to train the same hand equally to control a jumping horse and an inanimate pistol.

Sitting behind Phelps, or any one of the 65 competitors in the most varied demand of the Games, it is possible with fieldglasses to observe each consecutive shot on the 25-metre target; to see just how steady is *the man's nerve, how he is* coping under pressure. There is a voyeuristic fascination in watching a man crack.

It happened yesterday to the top two Hungarians, Martinek and Fabian. After the riding, fencing and swimming they stood first and third, with Hungary leading the three-man team event. After the shooting, in which *Martinek had a six* — the bullseye is 10, and 20 shots are fired in four rounds of five — Martinek and Fabian slid to *third and eighth respectively,* and Hungary to second position behind Italy.

Shooting has always been *Phelps's worst event, but now he* was, for him, in splendid form with his £1,000 gun. In the two practice rounds he shot a maximum 50 and then 48, and his four scoring rounds were 47, 48, 47 and 46, with no shot below nine for a 188 total — his best in an important championship. In *Los Angeles, when he finished* fourth overall after a memorable final day cross country run, he had shot 184, and in last year's world championship, 187. When Tom Redhead, the team shooting coach, offered to blacken Phelps's sights with a burning match so as to eliminate reflection, Phelps had said: "You'd better let me, you're the more nervous."

Yet, inspite of his personal best, Phelps finished 48th, to slip from fourth overall to eighth. And with Graham Brookhouse having two eights in his 187 and Dominic Mahoney shooting 189 out of 200, Britain dropped from second to fifth.

It was looking as if Italy and Hungary were now out of reach, and that an outstanding cross country run by all three Britons would be needed to overhaul the Soviet Union and France for the bronze, *if* Mahoney's suspect knee did not fail him. Phelps, in *his best event, would have to run* the 3,000 metres some 30 seconds faster than Massullo of Italy to take the individual bronze.

Four years ago Phelps only failed in the last few strides to gain the bronze, and he left the shooting range in determined mood. Ron Bright, the team manager or coach since 1960 *when he himself was a competi*tor, said at the end of the day: "We have a lot to do tomorrow, but we know it is possible. A medal is there for both the teams and for Richard if things go right. Richard held onto it well today."

Yachting brothers under fire

Two Israeli yachtsmen, who yesterday ignored Yom Kippur, the holiest day in the Jewish calendar, could be expelled from the team.

The brothers, Dan-Noam and Ram-Jacob Torten, had been expected to join four other Israelis in forfeiting scheduled events to observe the Day of Atonement, on which any activity, other than prayer, was forbidden from dusk on Tuesday to sunset on Wednesday.

However, they were listed among starters in the 470 class race at the Pusan yachting centre and provisional results credited them with finishing ninth.

Panetta's pick

Francesco Panetta has ended *his dilemma* over which track gold medal to go for. The Italian, after debating for a year, has opted for *the 3,000* metres steeplechase in preference to the 10,000 metres, which comes earlier in the programme.

Drugs swoop

At least five members of Swedish Olympic team are being accused of having used anabolic steroids, said police who are conducting the biggest drug *sweep in the* country's sporting history.

Valdo ban

The International Football Federation (FIFA) has imposed an indefinite suspen*sion on* Valdo, Benfica's Brazilian international forward, who failed to join his country's squad in Seoul.

More choice

The IOC president, Juan Antonio Samaranch, has visited the athletes' village following complaints about the food. A spokesman said Samaranch had described the food as very good but said a *more* varied menu would be a help.

Star treatment

The Turkish Prime Minister, Turgut Ozal, is sending his private jet to fly home Naim Suleymanoglu, the tiny weightlifter who broke six world records and won the country its first gold medal for 20 years.

WEIGHTLIFTING

A stand-in extends boundaries

Seoul (AP) — Bulgaria's Angel Guenchev, a deputy for a colleague who was injured, set three world records to win the gold medal in the 67.5kg *competition, with a total of* 362.5kg in two lifts, and did a *backflip on the platform to* celebrate.

Joachim Kunz, of East Germany, took silver with a combined total of 340kg and Israel Militossian, of the Soviet *Union, finished in third place.*

Guenchev's 160kg lift in the snatch surpassed a mark set earlier this year by Militossian. He also broke two records held by another Bulgarian, Mihail Petrov, in the clean-and-jerk and combined total. Petrov was unable to compete because of a back injury and Guenchev lost about 15lb so that he could take his place.

BOXING

Hickey protests over long wait

The British coach, Kevin Hickey, protested to the the organizers of the boxing competition about the long wait Mark Epton had to suffer before meeting Ivailo Hristov, of Bulgaria, the world No. 1 *light-flyweight*

Hickey had no complaints about the result. Epton, who became the second of the eight man British team to lose, was outclassed by the former world amateur champion. The coach was annoyed *that earlier in the* day Epton, like John Lyon before him, was told to take his gloves off and come back later.

The 22-year-old Mexborough boxer was *all set to take on* Hristov in the morning. But then it was announced that his name was going into a re-draw *because of the disqualification* of an Israeli, Yehuda Ben-Haim, who refused to box on Yom Kippur.

Epton was not the lucky one to gain a bye, but *his contest* with the Bulgarian was re*scheduled for the evening.* Hickey said: "We've put in an *official protest — it was non*sense that we weren't told earlier *about the change.* What happened today was just absurd."

Joe Lawlor, the Irish flyweight, also found himself out of his depth against Timofei Skriabin, of the Soviet Union, who knew too much for him.

*Wayne McCullough, the 18-*year-old Belfast, came through *his opening bout at light-fly*weight against Fred Mureweta, a *17-year-old Ugandan.* He faces the brilliant Commonwealth Games champion, Scott Olson, of Canada, next.

FENCING

Gosbee is foiled by unknown

Billy Gosbee, seeded tenth after the qualifying com*petition,* was a casualty as Britain tumbled out of the foils.

Gosbee lost 10-7 to the world *champion, Mathias* Gey, of West Germany, in the final elimination series, but was beaten 10-6 by a little-known Canadian, Luc Rocheleau, *in the repêchage.* Pierre Harper reached the last 24 before being eliminated, while Donnie McKenzie, lost his elimination contests.

In the women's foil, Linda Martin went out at the second preliminary round. Liz Thurley and Fiona McIntosh made the final preliminary pools before being eliminated.

TENNIS

Castle and Gomer turn pressure into progress

From Richard Evans

Andrew Castle and Sara Gomer distinguished themselves yesterday. Both stared defeat in the face and treated it with the disdain of true Olympians.

If the opposition was not of *the highest calibre that should* not detract from either player's performance, given the pressures of representing Britain in the Games for the first time.

Castle, who needed 4½ hours to beat Clement N'Goran, of the Ivory Coast, 6-7, 3-6, 6-2, 7-6, 7-5, was far too hyped-up to play his best tennis at the start.

When he discovered that his *opponent possessed a magnifi*cent serve and an adequate volley, three set points in the first set tie-break and the second set slipped from his grasp.

Although unknown on the professional tour yet, N'Goran has been training at John Newcombe's camp in Texas and *has had some excellent Davis* Cup results in the African Zone *this year. Physically and tem*peramentally, he looks a fine prospect. It was only when Castle told himself to relax at the start of the third set that he was able to do himself justice.

Given his reputation for *histrionics, Castle kept a firm* hold on his temper and played a very mature, not to say skilful, fifth set. He clinched the all-important break of serve in the eleventh game with smooth backhand passes. He will need to play even better against Anders Jarryd, of Sweden.

Gomer was 6-4, 5-3 down with Belinda Cordwell, of New *Zealand, serving for the match.* She, too, threw self-doubts aside and began playing in a more controlled and positive fashion. Breaking serve to love, Gomer eradicated the slapdash errors that had plagued her game and took charge in the final set.

ATHLETICS: KEINO ASSESSES THE CHANCES OF THE GREAT NATURAL RUNNERS FROM HIS COUNTRY

Tanui the threat to Martin in 10,000 metres

David Miller

The British, *with reason,* fancy themselves. *Morocco* has a fellow who can run a bit. Yet, arguably, the nation with the world's greatest natural runners is Kenya. In the athletics events beginning tomorrow, Kenya will be serious contenders in every race from 800 metres to the marathon and might reasonably *expect to win four medals.*

***Should they do so it will, in* the opinion of the non pareil Kip Keino, be mostly on account of natural ability rather than application. In the 20 years Keino dominated the track, there has been little development in individual coaching in Kenya. Indeed, Keino thinks that the position may have receded, due to the current attitude of the athletes themselves and also because of Kenya's absence from the Olympic Games of 1976 and 1980 and the Commonwealth Games of 1986. Evidence points to Kenya being, for their talent, underachievers.**

"The quality that is missing at the moment is absolute dedication, the willingness to make personal sacrifices," Keino says, "But that can be seen almost all round the world. There are too many diversions, with prize money incentives, shoe endorsements and temptations to run here and there, so that athletes are no longer running exclusively for the pride of achievement with the objective of improving their potential.

***"To win medals, you have to* have the intent. Kenyan performances are still 80 per cent for natural ability and only 20 per cent from coaching and experience."**

In Keino's day you ran for the* honour of someone shaking your hand at the finish. "He gave every bit of himself for his country," Samuel Kamau, president of the Kenyan Olympic Committee, says. Kamau was in police college with Keino in 1960, and gladly carried his bags at the East African championship in Dar-es-Salaam, where Keino won the mile and *three miles.

That was the only international experience he had before the Commonwealth Games in Perth, 1962, when he was 22.

In the mile and three miles, and *in the 1,500 metres and 5,000* metres, in the Olympic Games in Tokyo two years later, he finished fourth all four times. "It was mostly due to lack of racing exposure," Keino reflects.

When he finally won the 1,500 metres gold and 5,000 metres silver in Mexico in 1968, he was already 28, and at 32 — *the same* age as Sebastian Coe now is — won the 3,000 metres steeple*chase, in only his third race in* the event, and also the 1,500 silver in Munich. *"The strength* of a runner who is to win Olympic medals is as *much in* his mind as his legs," Keino says. "And that is where I think some of our competitors *today* are lacking."

None of the Kenyan runners has an individual coach, all of them working when they gather as a team with either Mike Koskei, the national squad coach, or Ngaga Ngata, the national sprint coach. Billy Konchellah, who won the world *championship* 800 metres in Rome last year, did not take part in the trials because of illness, and Keino thinks that their best runner of three will be Nixon Kiprotich.

In the 1,500, in which Joseph Cheire came fourth in Rome Peter Rono has the best record this year but lies down the ranking with a best time of 3:35.59. John Ngugi, no outstanding at cross country, could *be a medalist at 5000.* "But he has to run sensibly, so as to leave *himself with something of a kick* at the finish, but not to leave too *much too late,"* Keino says. Yobes Ondieki has the third fastest time of the year.

Keino believes that *Moses* Tanui could be a threat to *Eamonn Martin, Arturo Barrios* and the rest in the 10,000: an as-yet undisclosed talent. In the 3,000 steeplechase Kenya have the three fastest of the year in Koech, Sang and Kariuki, while Douglas Wakiihuru will aim to add to his world *championship* title in the marathon.

Keino's involvement with the team is slight these days. He spends most of his time running his farm, where he gives home *to* 20 or more orphans, putting 10 per cent of the farm's income into looking after homeless children. "We share *whatever* we have," he says: "In this world *we don't own anything,* we merely have the lease of it." It is the same sort of principle that he selflessly gave to his running.

THE TIMES AT THE OLYMPICS

Britain make heavy work of exploiting McLeod's first goal

From Sydney Friskin

Moira McLeod gained the distinction of scoring Britain's first goal in the women's hockey when her shot from a short corner at the end of the first half earned victory over Argentina yesterday.

The occasion was exceptional for both sides, neither having played in 1980, when the women's game was admitted to the Olympics, nor in 1984. Neither side made the match memorable.

Britain, who won 1-0, failed to translate their territorial superiority into goals. Argentina were unspeakably drab in attack, although their defence played well. For Britain, Brown did a lot of strong running and Dixon played soundly in defence.

Dennis Hay, the British coach, said: "Some of our players were very tense. We needed a second goal and did not get it. But we have got the balance right and hope to do better next time.

"Much as I do not like criticizing umpires, I thought we should have had a penalty stroke in the second half when Caroline Jordan was obstructed near goal."

A second goal, and perhaps more, was there for the taking from eight short corners, five in the first half, only one of which produced a goal. Argentina's goalkeeper, Mulhall, made some good saves but Britain's corner drill could have been more varied.

Britain had 10 shots at goal to the two by Argentina, who rarely launched an attack, their defence having been overworked. Their most effective defender, sometimes indelicate with her tackling, was Colombo, who conceded most of the short corners.

It was not until the 26th minute that Cook, in goal, was put to the test when she saved a strong angular shot by Palma at the expense of a long corner. Argentina then had their backs to the wall for the remainder of the half.

Two minutes before half-time, Britain reaped their reward when McLeod scored with a direct hit from their fifth short corner.

Midway through the second half, Britain made two substitutions, Brown and Parker giving way to Fraser and Jordan.

Britain's defence was in trouble at the end, conceding two short corners, the second of which Argentina could not complete because time ran out. It would have been a travesty if they had scored.

GREAT BRITAIN: J Cook; M McLeod, V McBride, B Hambly (capt), V Dixon, G Atkins, A Ramsay, K Brown, M Nevill, K Parker (sub: C Jordan), G Brown (sub: W Fraser).

ARGENTINA: L Mulhall; C Colombo, A Tucat, M Lopez, F Richezza, G Liz (capt), M Hussey, V Carbo, G Sanchez, M Brinnand, A Palma (sub: V Bengochia).

Umpires: C Asselman (Belgium), M Lenning (Canada).

● Britain play their next match tomorrow, against the defending champions, The Netherlands, who defeated the United States, 3-1.

Most of the day's thrills were provided by the other group, where South Korea turned the pressure on West Germany to win 4-1. Australia drew 1-1 with Canada, Bowman cancelling out the lead which Forshaw had given Canada.

ROWING

British hopes are revived

Martin Cross, Britain's coxed four gold medal winner at Los Angeles, kept his dream alive yesterday in the repêchages.

Cross, aged 30, a teacher from Hampton, Middlesex, and the other members of this year's coxed four had a disaster in Monday's heats when they finished last. But yesterday, Cross, together with John Garrett, John Maxey, Adam Clift and the cox, Vaughan Thomas, were more impressive as they won their repêchage race to progress to today's semi-finals.

The men's eight, who were also disappointing in their heat, made no mistake the second time round, winning their repêchage heat in 5min 35.15sec and now line up in Sunday's final, where, on yesterday's time, they have a reasonable chance of gaining a medal.

Britain's women's coxed four rowed superbly in their repêchage to reach the final on Saturday. But Alison Bonner and Kim Thomas, in the coxless pairs, and Sally Andrea and Alison Gill, in the double sculls, crashed out of the regatta, finishing third and fourth respectively in their repêchages.

Tough task ahead: Colin Sturgess, an unemployed 19-year-old from Leicester, lived up to his billing as Britain's best hope for a medal among the cyclists by winning two 4,000 metres pursuit races in the Olympic Velodrome yesterday. He had 10 seconds in hand over David Brinton, of the United States, before beating New Zealand's Gary Anderson by just over three seconds in the quarter-final. Now, as the slowest semi-finalist, Sturgess has to face the Soviet world champion, Gintaoutas Umaras, who finished fastest of the qualifiers, clocking 4mins 32.83 sec — some six seconds faster than the time recorded by Sturgess against Anderson.

The last hurrah in which the horse had the last laugh

From Simon Barnes

Sport is tight-fisted with triumphs, but when it comes to disappointments it shows a quite prodigal generosity. The athletes can blame themselves or their coaches or their opponents or the referees, but mostly they blame bad luck.

The quality Napoleon most valued in a general was luck. I am sure that luck is also a useful attribute for captains, but Captain Mark Phillips had none of it yesterday, nor has he ever had any luck of any kind at any Olympic Games. Perhaps Napoleon would not have picked him.

Phillips's first ambition in the three-day event here — the "attainable goal" that sports psychologists talk about — was to post a score that actually counted. In the team event four individuals ride and the worst score is discarded.

That is what happened to Phillips at the Munich Olympics in 1972. The team got a gold medal: Phillips's score didn't count. In 1976 he went to Montreal — and didn't count again, didn't even ride. He was reserve. He was due to go to Moscow in 1980, but his was one of the few boycotting sports. And in the last Olympics he didn't have a horse good enough to get him there.

This time he had the horse, a handsome beast named Cartier, and saw Seoul as his last hurrah: he will retire from competition now. This time he made the team — and thereby hangs a disaster. Lorna Clarke was, rather surprisingly, chosen as reserve. Clarke is one of the best cross-country riders in the business, but the British vet didn't like the look of her horse's leg.

The horse was perfectly sound, but was suffering from a thing called "an aggravated splint". The fear was that a bang on the cross-country course could have made it very tender — perhaps enough to fail the next vet's inspection.

There are vets everywhere in this event and they have draconian powers. They can throw any horse they don't like out of the event. Before competition starts all the horses have to pass an inspection.

This is a nerve-racking ceremony at the best of times. Clarke passed straight away, but the vets didn't like the look of Phillips's horse. It was sent to the holding area with two others for a second look.

The vets looked, went into a huddle and were clearly in some dispute. Was the Phillips horse about to be chucked out, "spun" in the sport's jargon? After a pause, a sigh of relief: Cartier was still in.

Phillips rode his dressage test and finished 39th, the lowest British placing: the others were third, fifth and ninth. He had the awful luck of riding during a brief but violent cloudburst that spoilt his test completely. Phillips's fears of not counting again must have resurfaced horribly.

He was chosen as "pathfinder" for the team: first man out on the crucial endurance test day. His task was to do one thing: finish.

But the pathfinder got lost. He got as far as the "10-minute box", the waiting place before the cross-country section, but by then he knew his Olympics were over. On the roads and tracks section — what should have been a gentle warm-up for the cross-country — it all went wrong. "I could feel then that the horse was lame as a crow," he said, employing a somewhat bizarre simile.

The British vet concurred and agreed that there was no point in even presenting him to the competition vet. Phillips and Cartier withdrew. "I'm bitterly disappointed," he said. "To come all this way for nothing. It's such a disappointment."

Disaster followed disaster. The inexperienced Karen Straker was left as pathfinder but she took an unscheduled plunge at the water. But perhaps the bitterest cup of disappointment was given to Clarke, the reserve, who would almost certainly have avoided such a tumble.

With hindsight, it is clear that Phillips, in the light of official doubts about Cartier, should have been reserve and Clarke the pathfinder.

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS FROM SEOUL

BASKETBALL

Men

GROUP A: Yugoslavia 104, South Korea 92; Soviet Union 93, Puerto Rico 81; Australia 108, Central African Republic 67. GROUP B: Canada 117, Egypt 64; United States 102, Brazil 87; Spain 108, China 74.

BOXING

Light-flyweight

SECOND ROUND: H Martinez (El Salvador) bt Y Ben-Haim (Isr), w/o; M M'Jinh (Mor) bt O Dembrel (Mongolia), pts; I Hristov (Bul) bt M Epton (GB), pts; L Serrano (Phi) bt M Hassan (Egypt), rsc 2nd; M Carbajal (US) bt O Kwang-Soo (S Kor), pts; S Stewart (Liberia) bt D Angeles (Hon), pts; H Dang Hsiu (Viet) bt A Caballero (Sp), rsc 2nd; T Chisenga (Zam) bt L Hsin-hung (Taiwan), pts; W McCullough (Ire) bt F Muzawela (Uga), pts; R Olson (Can) bt W Benian (Papua New Guinea), ko 1st; J Beltre Herrera (Dom Rep) bt M Bolivar (Ven), pts; C Sasakul (Thai) bt L Rolon (P Rico), pts; M Maina (Ken) bt M Haddad (Syria), pts; A Makhmutov (USSR) bt C Eluaiza (Arg), pts; S Aboud (Iraq) bt B Thephavong (Lao), rsc 2nd; R Isaszegi (Hun) bt C Moore (Guy), pts; H Martinez (El Salvador), bt Y Ben-Haim (Isr), disq.

Flyweight

SECOND ROUND: M Gonzalez (Mex) bt T Mathebe (Lesotho), pts; M Pingale (India) bt J Chongo (Zam), pts; A Kotey (Ghana) bt H Almutan (Kuwait), rsc 1st; P Desavoye (Fr) bt A Ikegu (Ken), rsc 2nd; M Deleon (Dom Rep) bt B Ovmtani (Niger), rsc 1st; B Mwangata (Tan) bt P Ayesu (Malawi), pts; A Agosto (P Rico) bt H Halbouni (Syria), pts; E Nsubuga (Uga) bt W S Obeib (South Yemen), ko 1st; T Skriabin (USSR) bt J Lawlor (Ire), pts; B [illegible] (Alg) bt A Moukrim (Mor), pts; A [illegible] (US) bt B Singh (Nepal), rsc 2nd; J Varadi (Hun) bt R Jalnaiz (Phi) pts; Kim Kwang-Sun (S Kor) bt N Tshabangu (Zim), rsc 2nd; A Tews (EG) bt Wang Weiping (China), pts; G Elkoumy (Egypt) bt R Gul (Tur), pts; S Todorov (Bul) bt S Segawa (Japan), pts.

Light-heavyweight

FIRST ROUND: H Petrich (Pol) bt P Byung-Jin (S Kor), rsc 2nd; J Akhasamba (Ken) bt J Nedd (Aruba), rsc 2nd; S Talauli (Tonga) bt T Bauro (Soloman Islands), ko 1st; N Madsen (Den) bt T Dixon (Jam), rsc 2nd; D Skaro (Yug) bt D Kiniov (Bul), pts; A Elnagar (Egypt) bt H Nanton (Saint Vincent), w/o; O Imadiyi (Nig) bt R Kanika (Zaire), ko 1st; B Kosolofski (Can) bt A El-Masri (Lebanon), rsc 3rd; M Bott (WG) bt R Sorovius (EG), rsc 3rd; N Shanavazov (USSR) bt P Lihanda (Uga), pts; A Magi (It) bt P Ulberg (Western Samoa), pts.

CYCLING

Men

Sprint

FIRST QUALIFICATION: 1, L Hessich (EG), 10.395sec; 2, G Neiwand (Aus), 10.563; 3, N Kovche (USSR), 10.595; 4, V Sustr (Cz), 10.704; 5, K Carpenter (US), 10.792; 6, F Colas (Fr), 10.857; 7, F Weber (WG), 10.919; 8, E Alexander (GB), 10.930; 9 J-M Moreno (Sp), 10.931; 10, E Schoefs (Bel), 11.032; 11, H Miwa (Japan), 11.063; 12, A Faccini (It), 11.073; 13, C Harnett (Can), 11.144; 14, M Cheesman (Trinidad and Tobago), 11.171; 15, G Fans (Arg), 11.187; 16, R Alwi (Mal), 11.204; 17, Um Young-Sup (S Kor), 11.222; 18, M Pons (Ec), 11.339; 19, Lee Fu-Hsiang (Taiwan), 11.475; 20, P Reneau (Belize), 11.732; 21, C Abrams (Guy), 11.815; 22, V Lynch (Bar), 11.845; 23, M Smith (Cayman Islands), 12.055; 24, B Becerra (Bol), 12.216; 25, I Fabian (Antigua), 12.817.

QUALIFICATION: Hessich bt Um Young-Sup Alwi, 11.25; Neiwand bt Pons and Fans, 11.19; Kovche bt Lee Fu-Hsiang Cheesman, 11.26; Sustr bt Harnett and Reneau, 11.21; Faccini bt Carpenter and Abrams, 11.74; Colas bt Miwa and Lynch, 10.77. Schoefs bt Weber and Smith, 11.34; Alexander bt Moreno Becerra, 11.40.

REPÊCHAGES (winners to quarter-finals): Cheesman bt Fans, Um Young-Sup and Moreno, 12.11; Weber bt Pons, Becerra and Abrams, 11.55; Miwa bt Lee Fu-Hsiang, Reneau and Smith, 11.56; Harnett bt Carpenter, Alwi and Lynch, 11.26.

4,000 metres individual pursuit

EIGHTH-FINALS: G Anderson (NZ) 4min 41.25sec bt B Risi (Switz) 4:44.38; I Beltrami (It) 4:44.33 bt T Durst (WG) 4:45.20; P Clausen (Den) 4:43.71 bt J Tuunen (Fin) 4:46.65; H Dawidowicz (Pol) 4:42.03 bt G Curuchet (Arg) 4:50.75; D Woods (Aus) 4:36.49 bt R Cermak (Cz), overtaken on 11th lap; C Sturgess (GB) 4:37 17 bt D Brinton (US) 4:47.27; G Umaras (USSR) 4:35.32 bt M Somogyi (Hun), overtaken on 9th lap; S Dittert (EG) 4:36.01 bt E Cent (Neth) overtaken on 11th lap.

QUARTER-FINALS: Sturgess 4:39.39 bt Anderson 4.42.82; Woods 4:35.11 bt Dawidowicz 4:39.44; Dittert 4:33.70 bt Clausen 4:42.62; Umaras 4:32.83 bt Beltrami, overtaken in 10th lap.

Individual points race

QUALIFICATION (first 12 qualify for final): 1, Do Eun-Chul (S Kor), 29pts; 2, D Frost (Den), 27; 3, A Mendez (Ven), 21; 4, M Somogyi (Hun), 12; 5, R Königshofer (Austria), 5; 6, R Burns (Aus), 24 (1 lap down); 7, O Ludwig (EG), 21 (1); 8, M Saneev (USSR), 17 (1); 9, A Salvador (Sp), 15 (1) equal 10, W Pawlak (Pol), 11 (1); 11, Andreu (US), 11 (1); 12, F Louro (Br), 10 (1); 13, P Hermann (Liechtenstein), 9 (1), 14, Y Tsumuraya (Japan), 7 (1); 15, M Smith (Cayman Islands), 1 (1); R Chase (Bar) and B Rimenm (Phil) abandoned.

Women

Sprint

FIRST QUALIFICATION: 1, E Salournae (USSR), 11.577sec; 2, I Gautheron (Fr), 11.611; 3, C Rothenburg (EG), 11.692; 4, C Paraskevin-Young (US), 11.845; 5, J Speight (Aus), 11.855; 6, L Jones (GB), 12.287; 7, E Fanton (It), 12.303; 8, Yang Hsiu-Chen (Taiwan), 12.374; 9, K Jin-Young (S Kor), 12.416; 10, S Hashimoto (Japan), 12.425; 11, Zhou Suying (China), 12.477; 12, B Tabor (Can), 12.588.

QUALIFICATION: Salournae bt Yang Hsiu-chen and Kim Jin-Young, 12.33sec; Gautheron bt Hashimoto, and Fanton, 12.22; Rothenburg bt Zhou Suying and Jones, 12.24; Paraskevin-Young bt Speight and Tabor, 12.11.

REPÊCHAGES (winners to quarter-finals): Yang Hsiu-Chen bt Tabor, 12.80; Jones bt Hashimoto, 12.36; Zhou Suying bt Fanton, 12.65; Speight bt Kim Jin-Young, 13.04

EQUESTRIANISM

Three-day event

Positions after cross-country

INDIVIDUALS: 1, M Todd (NZ), 37.60pts; 2, V Lang (GB), 52.0; 3, I Stark (GB), 52.8; 4, C Erhorn (WG), 55.6; 5, M Baumann (WG), 63.6; 6, J Teulere (Fr), 64.0; 7, T Portinger (NZ), 65.8; 8, T Kasparett (WG), 84.8; 9, A Hoy (Aus), 89.0; 10, P Dawson (US), 94.6; 11, B Jarecki (Pol), 101.4; 12, R Ehrenbrink (WG), 105.8; 13, B Ambrosione (It), 106.4; 14, D Foster (Ire), 107.2; 15, K Rogowski (Pol), 109.8; 16, S De La Rocha (Sp), 114.0; 17, N Holmes-Smith (Can), 117.4; 18, B Davidson (US), 126.8; equal 19, Choi Myung-Jin (S Kor) and D Costantini (It), 129.8; 21, A Benme (NZ), 137.8; 22, K Straker (GB), 142.0; 23, K Ratalak (Pol), 158.4; 24, M Knighton (NZ), 164.6; 25, F Girardi (It), 165.6; 26, S Keach (Aus), 171.6; 27, B Roycroft (Aus), 185.8; 28, E Miyazaki (Japan), 191.6; 29, D Green (Aus), 192.0; 30, V Berthet (Fr), 202.2; 31, Park Dong-Joo (S Kor), 217.0; 32, P Morvillers (Fr), 222.6; 33, P Gray (Berm), 225.2; 34, M-Ch Duroy (Fr), 228.6; 35, R Becs (Sp), 252.8; 36, E Koczorski (Pol), 260.8; 37, Park So-Woon (S Kor), 338.6; 38, E Brodax (Virgin Islands), 407.8; 39, K Iwatani (Japan), 461.0; all other competitors, including M Phillips (GB), have either withdrawn, retired or been eliminated.

TEAMS: 1, West Germany, 204.2pts; 2, New Zealand, 241.2; 3, Great Britain, 246.8; 4, Poland, 369.6; 5, Italy, 401.8; 6, Australia, 446.4; 7, France, 488.8; 8, South Korea, 683.4; United States and Japan eliminated.

FENCING

Men

Individual foil

FINAL: 1-2 places: S Cerioni (It) bt U Wagner (EG), 10-7. 3-4: A Romankov (USSR), bt U Schreck (WG), 10-8.

FOOTBALL

GROUP A: Tunisia 0, China 0; Sweden 2, West Germany 1.

Final positions

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Sweden	3	2	1	0	6	3	5
West Germany	3	2	0	1	8	3	4
Tunisia	3	0	2	1	3	6	2
China	3	0	1	2	0	5	1

GROUP B: Zambia 4, Guatemala 0; Italy 2, Iraq 0.

Final positions

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Zambia	3	2	1	0	10	2	5
Italy	3	2	0	1	7	6	4
Iraq	3	1	1	1	5	4	3
Guatemala	3	0	0	3	2	12	0

GYMNASTICS

Women

Team competition

FINAL (after compulsory and optional exercises): 1, Soviet Union (S Baitova, Y Shevchenko, O Strazheva, S Boginskaya, N Lashchenova, Y Shushunova), 395.475pts; 2, Romania (C Voinea, E Golea, C Popa, G Potorac, D Silivas, A Dobre), 394.125; 3, East Germany (M Jentsch, G Faehnrich, U Klotz, B Schieferdecker, D Thümmler, D Kersten), 390.875; 4, United States, 390.575; 5, Bulgaria, 390.550; 6, China, 388.400; 7, Czechoslovakia, 388.150; 8, Hungary, 385.625; 9, Spain, 383.875; 10, South Korea, 383.825; 11, Canada, 383.750; 12, Japan, 380.200.

LEADING INDIVIDUALS AFTER TEAM COMPETITION: 1, E Chouchounova (USSR), 79.675pts; 2, D Silivas (Rom), 79.575; 3, S Boguinskaia (USSR), 79.400; 4, G Potorac (Rom), 78.925; 5, D Thümmler (EG), 78.900; equal 6, A Dobre (Rom) and P Mills (US), 78.675; equal 8, D Doudeva (Bul) and D Kersten (EG), 78.650; 10, C Popa (Rom), 78.575; equal 11, D Thümmler (EG) and B Johnson (US), 78.550; 13, S Baitova (USSR), 78.425; 14, E Chevtchenko (USSR), 78.350; 15, D Vodenitcharova (Bul), 78.325; 16, U Klotz (EG), 78.275; 17, B Stoyanova (Bul), 77.950; equal 18, Chen Cuiting (China) and E Golea (Rom), 77.875; 20, I Raikova (Bul), 77.850; 21, K Garrison-Steves (US), 77.825; 22, C Voinea (Rom), 77.775; equal 23, L Munoz (Sp) and I Polokova (Cz), 77.650; 25, G Fahnrich (EG), 77.625; equal 26, E Ovary (Hun) and Park Ji-Sook (S Kor), 77.500; equal 28, Fan Di (China) and E Rueda (Sp), 77.475; 30, B Schieferdecker (EG), 77.450. British placings: 82, K Hargate, 74.400; K Kennedy withdrew.

HANDBALL

Women

GROUP A: South Korea 33, Czechoslovakia 27; Yugoslavia 19, United States 18.
GROUP B: Soviet Union 24, China 19; Norway 34, Ivory Coast 14.

HOCKEY

Women

GROUP A: Great Britain 1, Argentina 0; Netherlands 3, United States 1.
GROUP B: South Korea 4, West Germany 1; Canada 1, Australia 1 (1-0)

MODERN PENTATHLON

Shooting

INDIVIDUALS: 1, A Rahman Khalid (Bahrain), 1,088pts; 2, Kim Myung-Gon (S Kor), 1,066; 3, D Masala (It), 1,066; 4, A Watson (Aus), 1,044; 5, J-E Danielsson (Swe), 1,044; 6, R Martin (Swe), 1,044; 7, M Marsollek (WG), 1,044; 8, M Abouelsouad (Egypt), 1,044; 9, C Massullo (It), 1,044; 10, M Gostigian (US), 1,044; 11, T Fleissner (Cz), 1,022; 12, B Kennedy (Can), 1,000; 13, M Czyzowicz (Pol), 1,000; 14, Kim Sung-Ho (S Kor), 1,000; 15, G Tiberti (It), 1,000; 16, R Nieman (US), 1,000; 17, V Iagorachvili (USSR), 978; 18, N Fekete (Can), 956; 19, T Miwa (Japan), 956; 20, L Centeno (Sp), 956; 21, H Saito (Japan), 956; 22, J Fuentes (Chile), 956; 23, D Knappheide (WG), 934; 24, G Iouterov (USSR), 934; 25, A Skrzypaszek (Pol), 934; 26, J Prokopius (Cz), 934, 27, A Mizser (Hun), 934; 28, L Kayte (Can), 934; 29, S Rasmuson (Swe), 934; 30, C Ruer (Fr), 934; 31, A Michelena (Uru), 934; 32, B Genard (Fr), 912; 33, A Jung (Switz), 912; 34, M Adam (Egypt), 912; 35, T Hellstern (Den), 890; 36, A Avdeev (USSR), 890; 37, Li King-Ho (Taiwan), 890; 38, Zhang Bin (China), 890, 39, I Sisniega (Mex), 890, 40, A Mahmoud (Egypt), 890; 41, A Al Dosen (Bahrain), 890, 42, A Ynzar (Mex), 890, 43, D Mahony (GB), 890; 44, R Stull (US), 868; 45, H Spannagl (Austria), 868; 46, J Martinek (Hun), 868; 47, J Bouzou (Fr), 868, equal 48, R Phelps (GB) and Kang Kyung-Hyo (S Kor), 868, 50, Chuang Tang Fa (Taiwan), 868; 51, H Izumikawa (Japan), 846, 52, G Brookhouse (GB), 846; 53, M Zimmermann (WG), 824; 54, L Fabian (Hun), 802; 55, M Barroso (Por), 802; 56, M Kadlec (Cz), 802; 57, P Burger (Switz), 780; 58, M Hoyo (Mex), 780, 59, P Steinmann (Switz), 780; 60, J Quesada (Sp), 780; 61, W Chmielewski (Pol), 758; 62, R Falconi (Chile), 736, 63, S Farhan (Bahrain), 736; 64, E Quesada (Sp), 626; 65, G Cortes (Chile), 406.

TEAMS: 1, Italy, 3,110pts; 2, Sweden, 3,022; 3, South Korea, 2,934; 4, United States, 2,912; 5, Canada, 2,890; 6, Egypt, 2,846; equal 7, West Germany and Soviet Union, 2,802; equal 9, Japan and Czechoslovakia, 2,758; equal 11, Bahrain and France, 2,714; 13, Poland, 2,692; equal 14, Great Britain and Hungary, 2,604; 16, Mexico, 2,560; 17, Switzerland, 2,472; 18, Spain, 2,362; 19, Chile, 2,098; 20, Taiwan, 1,758; 21, Australia, 1,044; 22, Uruguay, 934; equal 23, China and Denmark, 890; 25, Austria, 868; 26, Portugal, 802.

Leaders after four events

INDIVIDUALS: 1, Iagorachvili, 4,217pts; 2, Martinek, 4,188; 3, Massullo, 4,139; 4, Nieman, 4,124; 5, Kim Myung-Gon, 4,120; 6, Masala, 4,083; 7, Phelps, 4,034; 8, Fabian, 4,033, 9, Kang Kyung-Hyo, 4,032; 10, Ruer, 4,029; 11, Bouzou, 4,027; 12, Watson, 4,015; 13, Tiberti, 4,010, 14, Mizser, 3,987; 15, Mahony, 3,972; 16, Fleissner, 3,962; 17, Skrzypaszek, 3,946; 18, Jung, 3,942; 19, Danielsson, 3,936; 20, Steinmann, 3,935. Other British placing: 37, Brookhouse, 3,787.

TEAMS: 1, Italy, 12,232pts; 2, Hungary, 12,208; 3, Soviet Union, 11,905; 4, France, 11,851; 5, Great Britain, 11,793; 6, Czechoslovakia, 11,677; 7, West Germany, 11,633; 8, Switzerland, 11,461; 9, Egypt, 11,323; 10, Mexico, 11,299.

ROWING

Men's repêchages

Single sculls

(First two in each heat qualify for semi-finals)

HEAT ONE: 1, P Karppinen (Fin), 7min 14.91sec; 2, H Zwolle (Neth), 7:16.23; 3, D Crois (Bel), 7:19.94; 4, M Sakata (Japan), 7:26.66.
HEAT TWO: 1, Y Yanson (USSR), 7:04.04; 2, K Bronsewski (Pol), 7:04.39; 3, P Body (Fr), 7:05.80; 4, W Almohammed (Kuwait), 8:15.16
HEAT THREE: 1, P-M Kolbe (WG), 7:12.27; 2, J Posse (Uru), 7:17.43; 3, D Mannho (Br), 7:22.84; 4, Lim Kyung-Suk (S Kor), 7:46.40; 5, E Meenna (Phil), 8:27.02
HEAT FOUR: 1, A Sudduth (US), 7:05.52; 2, G Calabrese (It), 7:12.93; 3, A Jonke (Austria), 7:18.29; 4, J Felix (P Rico), 7:18.77; 5, G Henry (Can), 7:37.48.

Double sculls

(First three in each heat qualify for semi-finals)

HEAT ONE: 1, East Germany, 6min 40.67sec; 2, Finland, 6:42.98; 3, Spain, 6:43.67; 4, Mexico, 6:45.59; 5, United States, 6:56.45.
HEAT TWO: 1, Switzerland, 6:37.86; 2, Norway, 6:41.15; 3, Italy, 6:43.22; 4, Chile, 6:48.72
HEAT THREE: 1, West Germany, 6:37.84; 2, Bulgaria, 6:41.10; 3, Canada, 6:46.55; 4, Greece, 6:59.46; 5, Austria, 7:56.37.

Coxless pairs

(First three in each heat qualify for semi-finals)

HEAT ONE: 1, East Germany, 7min 02.15sec; 2, Finland, 7:03.72; 3, United States, 7.04.99; 4, Spain, 7:09.10; 5, Canada, 7:13.07.
HEAT TWO: 1, Belgium, 6:54.57; 2, Austria, 6:58.96; 3, Brazil, 7.01.00; 4, Australia, 7:06.17; 5, Norway, 7:20.88.
HEAT THREE: 1, West Germany, 6:52.03; 2, France, 6:53.72, 3, Soviet Union, 6:57.39; 4, Argentina, 7:06.57; 5, Japan, 7:18.56.

Coxed pairs

(First three qualify for semi-finals)

1, Czechoslovakia, 7min 14.17sec; 2, Poland, 7:18.21; 3, Canada, 7:18.60; 4, Brazil, 7:21.31; 5, Ireland, 7:23.87.

Quadruple sculls

(First three qualify for semi-finals)

1, Czechoslovakia, 5min 55.80sec; 2, Poland, 5:57.61; 3, Argentina, 5:58.27; 4, United States, 5:59.07.

Coxless fours

(First three qualify for semi-finals)

1, Sweden, 6min 14.52sec; 2, Canada, 6:16.88; 3, Greece, 6:17.49; 4, Spain, 6:18.25; 5, Brazil, 6:30.85, 6, South Korea, 6:50.47.

Coxed fours

(First three qualify for semi-finals)

1, Great Britain (M Cross, J Garrett, J Maxey, A Clift, V Thomas), 6min 31.11sec; 2, Italy, 6:32.14; 3, Canada, 6:33.05; 4, Spain, 6:34.36; 5, South Korea, 7:19.22.

Eights

(First two in each heat qualify for final)

HEAT ONE: 1, United States, 5min 35.63sec; 2, Canada, 5:37.06; 3, Italy, 5:39.86, 4, Japan, 5:54.16.
HEAT TWO: 1, Great Britain (P Beaumont, N Burfitt, T Dillon, S Hassan, S Jefferies, A Obholzer, R Stanhope, G Stewart, S Turner), 5:35.15; 2, Australia, 5:37.75; 3, Bulgaria, 5:40.93, 4, South Korea, 6:17.81.

Women's repêchages

Single sculls

(First three qualify for semi-finals)

1, N Kvacha (USSR), 8min 06.11sec; 2, M Loukotova (Cz), 8:15.63; 3, A Larsson (Swe), 8:20.20; 4, L Bnero (Fr), 8:26.66.

Double sculls

(First two in each heat qualify for final)

HEAT ONE: 1, Soviet Union, 7min 30.00sec; 2, China, 7:32.39; 3, Canada, 7:36.80; 4, Great Britain (S Andreae and A Gill), 7:59.75.
HEAT TWO: 1, Bulgaria, 7:24.96; 2, United States, 7:29.52; 3, Sweden, 7:30.23; 4, South Korea, 8:13.57.

Coxless pairs

(First two qualify for final)

HEAT ONE: 1, New Zealand, 7min 59.93sec; 2, Soviet Union, 8:07.67; 3, Canada, 8:11.49; 4, West Germany, 8:20.13.
HEAT TWO: 1, Bulgaria, 7:50.94, 2, United States, 8:05.55; 3, Great Britain (A Bonner and K Thomas), 8:13.13; 4, South Korea, 8:18.82.

Quadruple sculls

(First two in each heat qualify for final)

HEAT ONE: 1, Romania, 6min 26.14sec; 2, Belgium, 6.37.46, 3, Netherlands, 6:38.95; 4, France, 6:44.15.
HEAT TWO: 1, Soviet Union, 6:27.75; 2, Czechoslovakia, 6:33.36, 3, United States, 6:39.10; 4, Hungary, 6:41.24.

Coxed fours

(First two in each heat qualify for final)

HEAT ONE: 1, Bulgaria, 7min 20.78sec; 2, Great Britain (S Smith, J Gough, K Grose, F Johnston, A Norrish), 7:25.53; 3, Canada, 7:29.71; 4, Poland, 7:32.55.
HEAT TWO: 1, China, 7:23.80; 2, United States, 7:28.01; 3, Soviet Union 7:35.22; 4, South Korea 8:13.07.

Eights

(First four qualify for final)

East Germany, 6min 05.50sec; 2, Bulgaria, 6:08.26, 3, China, 6:08.64, 4, United States, 6.10.82; 5, West Germany, 6.12.70.

SHOOTING

Women

Air pistol

FINAL: 1, J Sekaric (Yug), 489.5pts (world record), 2, N Salukvadze (USSR), 487.9, 3, M Dobrantcheva (USSR), 485.2; 4, A Goffin (Bel), 480.2; 5, A Völker (EG), 479.3; 6, Liu Haiying (China), 476.9; 7, L Breker (WG) 476.0, 8, C Strahalm (Austria), 472.5.

Smallbore standard rifle

FINAL: 1, S Sperber (WG), 685.6pts; 2, V Letcheva (Bul), 683.2; 3, V Cherkasova (USSR), 681.4, 4, K Klepp (EG), 680.5, 5, S Bowes (Can), 680.5; 6, A Matoukhina (USSR), 678.4; 7, L Meili (US), 676.5; 8, A Karlsson (Swe), 676.4.

SWIMMING

Men

100 metres butterfly

FINAL: 1, A Nesty (Surinam), 53.00sec (Olympic record), 2, M Biondi (US), 53.01; 3, A Jameson (GB), 53.30 (British record); 4, J Sieben (Aus), 53.33; 5, M Gross (WG), 53.44; 6, J Mortenson (US), 54.07; 7, T Ponting (Can), 54.09; 8, V Yaroshchuk (USSR) 54.60.
B FINAL: 1, Shen Jianqiang (China), 54.52; 2, A Mosse (NZ), 54.53; 3, B Nielsen (Den), 54.77; 4, V Cerny (Can), 54.79; 5, R Szukala (Pol), 54.80; 6, H Miura (Japan), 54.98; 7, Zheng Jian (China), 55.05, 8, N Cochran (GB), 55.22.

400 metres individual medley

FINAL: 1, T Darnyi (Hun), 4min 14.75sec (world record), 2, D Wharton (US), 4:17.36; 3, S Battistelli (It), 4:18.01; 4, J Szabo (Hun), 4:18.15; 5, P Kühl (EG), 4:18.44; 6, J-P Berndt (WG), 4:21.71; 7, L Sacchi (It), 4:23.23, 8, P Bermel (WG), 4:24.02.
B FINAL: 1, J Kostoff (US), 4:22.95; 2, C Bordeau (Fr), 4:23.39, 3, R Bruce (Aus), 4:24.33; 4, J Kelly (Can), 4:25.02, 5, M Zoubkov (USSR), 4:25.44; 6, R Woodhouse (Aus), 4:26.14; 7, P Brew (GB), 4:26.77; 8, C Papanikolaou (Gr), 4:27.95.

4 x200 metres freestyle relay

FINAL: 1, United States (T Dalbey, M Cetlinski, D Gjertsen, M Biondi), 7min 12.51sec (world record); 2, East Germany (U Dassler, S Lodziewski, T Flemming, S Zesner), 7:13.68; 3, West Germany (E Hochstein, T Fahrner, R Henkel, M Gross), 7:14.35; 4, Australia 7:15.23; 5, Italy 7:16.00; 6, Sweden 7:19.10; 7, France 7:24.69; 8, Canada 7:24.91.

Women

200 metres freestyle

FINAL: 1, H Friedrich (EG), 1min 57.65sec; 2, S Poll (C Rica), 1:58.67; 3, M Stellmach (EG), 1:59.01; 4, M Wayte (US), 1:59.04; 5, N Trefilova USSR), 1:59.24, 6, M Kremer (US), 2:00.23; 7, S Ortwig (WG), 2:00.73; 8, C Pruner (Fr), 2:02.88.
B FINAL: 1, P Noall (Can), 2:00.77; 2, R Gillian (GB), 2:01.66; 3, M Jacobsen (Den), 2:01.84; 4, L-L Dobrescu (Rom), 2:01.88, 5, S-M Pura (Rom), 2:02.30; 6, C Nakamori (Japan), 2:02.31; 7, B Lohberg-Schulz (WG), 2:02.32; 8, Zhuang Yong (China) 2:14.23.

200 metres breaststroke

FINAL: 1, S Hörner (EG), 2min 26.71sec (world record); 2, Huang Xiaomin (China), 2:27.49; 3, A Frenkeva (Bul), 2:28.34; 4, T Dangalakova (Bul), 2:28.43; 5, Y Bogacheva (USSR), 2:28.54; 6, I Lempereur (Bel) 2:29.42; 7, A Higson (Can), 2:29.60, 8, M Dalla Valle (It) 2:29.86.
B FINAL: S Bornike (EG), 2:28.55; 2, S Kuzmina (USSR), 2:30.03; 3, L Moes (Neth), 2:30.83; 4, A Nisiro (It), 2:31.19; 5, S Rapp (US), 2:32.90; 6, T McFarlane (US), 2:33.46; 7, G Clouthier (Can), 2:33.55; 8, B Becue (Bel), 2:34.10.

TENNIS

Men's singles

FIRST ROUND: E Sanchez (Sp) bt S Matsuoka (Japan), 6-3, 6-4, 6-3; D Cahill (Aus) bt A Antonitsch (Austria), 6-2, 6-4, 6-7, 6-2; A Cherkasov (USSR) bt H Chapacu (Par), 6-0, 6-0, 6-1; S Casal (Sp) bt M Gurr (Zim), 6-2, 6-3, 6-1; J Sanchez (Sp) bt S Abdullahi (Nigeria), 6-2, 7-5, 6-3; K Evernden (NZ), bt G Ivanisevic (Yug), 7-6, 6-3, 6-3; A Jarryd (Swe) bt M Laurendeau (Can), 7-6, 4-6, 7-5, 7-5; T Mayotte (US) bt Song Dong-Wook (S Kor), 6-3, 6-3, 6-4; Kim Bong-Soo (S Kor), bt G Kalovelonis (Gr), 7-5, 3-6, 6-2, 6-7, 6-3; C-U Steeb (WG) bt A Volkov (USSR), 7-5, 6-4, 6-3; R Seguso (US) bt N Odizor (Nigeria), 6-4, 6-3, 6-2; M Jaite (Arg) bt C Pridham (Can), 6-1, 6-3, 6-2; W Masur (Aus) bt L Mattar (Br), 6-4, 6-4, 4-6, 6-7, 6-4; D Nargiso (It) bt F Maciel (Mex), 4-6, 2-6, 7-6, 7-6, 8-6; H Leconte (Fr) bt V Amritraj (India), 4-6, 6-4, 6-4, 3-6, 6-3; A Castle (GB) bt C N'Goran (Ivory Coast), 6-7, 3-6, 6-2, 7-6, 7-5.

Women's singles

FIRST ROUND: A Minter (Aus) bt X Escobedo (Mex), 6-1, 6-3; J Novotna (Cz), bt I Demongeot (Fr), 6-4, 6-3; G Miro (Br), bt H Kelesi (Can), 7-5, 7-5; C Suire (Fr), bt R Basuki (Indo), 6-3, 3-6, 6-0; S Gomer (GB) bt B Cordwell (NZ), 4-6, 7-5, 6-2; L Meshki (USSR) bt R Rajchrtova (Cz), 7-5, 7-5; B Paulus (Austria) bt B Fulco (Arg), 7-6, 6-4; Kim Il-Soon (S Kor) bt E Inoue (Japan), 6-3, 3-6, 7-5.

WATER POLO

GROUP A: Italy 9, Soviet Union 9. France 16, South Korea 5; West Germany 13, Australia 11.
GROUP B: Hungary 12, Greece 10; United States 7, Yugoslavia 6; Spain 13, China 8.

WEIGHTLIFTING

Up to 67.5kg

OVERALL POSITIONS: 1, A Guenchev (Bul), snatch 160kg (world record), jerk 202.5 (world record), total 362.5 (world record); 2, J Kunz (EG), 150.0, 190.0, 340.0; 3, I Militosian (USSR), 155.0, 182.5, 337.5; 4, Li Jinhe (China), 147.5, 177.5, 325.0; 5, M Seweryn (Pol), 145.0, 172.5, 317.5; 6, E Basmaz (Tur), 145.0, 172.5, 317.5; 7, Xiao Minglin (China), 132.5, 172.5, 305.0, 8, I Kerak (Hun), 132.5, 170, 302.5; 9, C Constandinidis (Gr), 137.5, 162.5, 300.0; 10, Choji Taira (Japan), 127.5, 170, 297.5.

WRESTLING

Greco-Roman

52kg

PRELIMINARIES: Lee Jae-Suk (S Kor) bt R Kierpacz (Pol) pts; A Miyahara (Japan) bt T Jankovics (Cz), passivity.
FINAL: 1-2 places: J Ronningen (Nor) bt Miyahara, pts. 3-4: Lee Jae-Suk bt A Ignatenko (USSR), pts. 5-6: Kierpacz bt Jankovics, passivity 7-8: H Filev (Bul) bt P Stjernberg (Swe), pts.

57kg

PRELIMINARIES: A Amado (US) bt R Sigde (Nor), pts; S Balov (Bul) pinned K Boualllouche (Mor); C Holidis (Gr) bt Huh Byung-Ho (S Kor), pts; A Sike (Hun) bt R Yildiz (WG), passivity; Yang Changling (China) bt S Nakadome (Japan), pts.

68kg

PRELIMINARIES: M Brekke (Nor) bt Z Hory (Syria), passivity; H Hidalgo (Pan) bt F Barcia (Sp), passivity; Y Okubo (Japan) bt F Abrial (Fr), pts; S Nandor (Yug) bt C Passarelli (WG), pts; T Sipila (Fin) bt S Souakan (Mor), pts; A Repka (Hun) bt G Karamanliev (Bul), passivity; S Kocak (Tur) bt A Grigorakis (Gr), passivity; P Carrara (Rom) pinned E Ichikawa (Peru); J Kopanski (Pol) bt G Karamnliev (Bul), passivity; Repka bt Kocak, passivity; L Djulfalakian (USSR) bt Carrara, pts.

74kg

PRELIMINARIES: J Tracz (Pol) bt B Velitchkov (Bul), pts.
FINAL: 1-2 places: Kim Young-Nam (S Kor) bt D Turlykhanov (USSR), pts. 3-4: Tracz bt J Takacs (Hun), pts. 5-6: M Mischler (Fr) bt Velitchkov, pts. 7-8: R Tallroth (Swe) bt H Ito (Japan), pts.

82kg

PRELIMINARIES: T Komaromi (Hun) pinned M Hussein (Egypt); M Mamiashvili (USSR) bt B Daras (Pol), passivity; T Niemi (Fin) bt T Mukai (Japan), pts; M Bullmann (EG) bt Kim Sang-Kyu (S Kor); Mamiashvili bt Bullmann, pts; Kim Sang-Kyu bt Niemi, pts; Komaromi bt M Fredriksson (Swe), passivity.

100kg

PRELIMINARIES: A Wronski (Pol) bt D Koslowski (US) pts.
FINAL: 1-2 places: Wronski bt G Himmel (WG), pts. 3-4: Koslowski bt I Gueorguiev (Bul), pts. 5-6: J Tertei (Yug) bt Yoo Young-Tai (S Kor), injury. 7-8: C Guedekhouri (USSR) bt T Gaspar (Hun), injury.

130kg

PRELIMINARIES: T Johansson (Swe) bt L Klauz (Hun), pts; A Karelin (USSR) pinned D Koslowski (US); R Guerovski (Bul) bt H Elhadad (Egypt), pts.

YACHTING

Soling

SECOND RACE: 1, United States; 2, Denmark; 3, East Germany; 4, France; 5, Australia; 6, Brazil; 7, Italy; 8, Great Britain; 9, New Zealand; 10, Sweden 16. Leaders after two races: 1, United States, 3pts, 2, East Germany 5.70; 3, Brazil 17.40; 7, Great Britain 25.70.

Star

SECOND RACE: 1, M McIntyre and P Vaile (GB), 0.0pts; 2, G Gorla and A Peraboni (It), 3.0; 3, S Bakker and J Vandenberg (Neth), 5.7; 4, M Reynolds and H Haenel (US) 8.0; 5, M Johansson and M Hansson (Swe), 10.0; 6, A Hagen and F Girr (WG), 11.7; 7, T Grael and N Falcao (Br), 13.0; 8, C Beashel and G Torpy (Aus), 14.0; 9, H Hadjipavlis and C Marthos (Gr), 15.0; 10, A Geert-Jensen and M Just (Den), 16.0. Leaders after two races: 1, McIntyre and Vaile, 11.7pts; 2, Grael and Falcao, 13.0; 3, Hagen and Girr, 14.7.

Tornado

SECOND RACE: 1, L Grael and C Freitas (Br), 0.0 pts; 2, J Le Deroff and N Henard (Fr), 3.0; 3, C Timms and R Sellers (NZ), 5.7; 4, I Konovalov and S Kravtsov (USSR), 8.0; 5, P Nilsen and C Johannessen (Nor), 10.0; 6, G Zuccoli and L Santella (It), 11.7; 7, R White and J Newman (GB), 13.0; 8, R Gaebler and H-J Plohe (WG), 14.0; 9, D Sweeney and K Smith (Can), 15.0; 10, J Melvin and P Muglia (US), 16.00. Leaders after two races: 1, Le Deroff and Henard, 3.0; 2, Grael and Freitas, 14.0; 3, Nilsen and Johannessen, 15.7; 10, White and Newman.

Flying Dutchman

SECOND RACE: 1, M Jones and G Knowles (NZ), 0.0 pts, 2, A Batzill and P Lang (WG), 3.0, 3, A Adler and M Temke (Bri), 5.7, 4, J Bojsen-Moller and C Gronborg (Den), 8.0, 5, O Pollen and E Bjorkum (Nor), 10.0, 6, F Mclaughlin and J Millen (Can), 11.7; 7, D Wilkins and P Kennedy (Ire), 13.0, 8, U Lehmann and S Maedicke (EG), 14.0, 9, L Delege and D Farrs (Fr), 15.0; 10, A Schroft and D Schroff (Switz), 16.0, 11, R Yeoman and N McDonald (GB), 17.0. Leaders after two races: 1, Jones and Knowles, 3.0pts; 2, Bojsen-Moller and Gronborg, 8.0, 3, Adler and Temke, 13.7; 11, Yeoman and McDonald, 35.00.

Finn

SECOND RACE: 1, L Ruchardt (Fin), 0.0pts, 2, P Holmberg (Virgin Islands), 3.0; 3, J-L Doreste (Sp), 5.7, 4, C Pratt (Aus), 8.0, 5, L Lemieux (Can), 10.0, 6, R Hasner (Neth), 11.7; 7, P Semeraro (It), 13.0, 8, E Margenthaler (Mex), 14.0; 9, T Schmid (WG), 15.0; 10, J Cutler (NZ), 16.0. British placing: 14, S Childerley, 20.0. Leaders after two races: 1, Ruchardt, 14.0pts, 2, Schmid 18.0; 3, Doreste 18.7; equal 8, Childerley, 28.0.

470

SECOND RACE: 1, S Montefusco and P Montefusco (It), 0.0pts, 2, J Shadden and C McKee (US), 3.0; 3, T Peponnet and L Pillot (Fr), 5.70, 4, T Tynnste and T Tynnste (USSR), 8.0; 5, W Hunger and J Hunger (WG), 10.0; 6, P Koskull and J Koskull (Fin), 11.7; 7, R Drontmann and M Drontmann (Neth), 13.0, 8, P Evans and S Mander (NZ), 14.0, 9, C Wanderley and B Arndt (Br), 15.0; 10, N Cochrane and G McIlquham (Can), 16.0. British placing: 14, J Belben and A Hemmings, 20.00. Leaders after two races: 1, Peponnet and Pillot, 5.70pts; equal 2, Hunger and Hunger and Shadden and McKee, 13.00; 14, Belben and Hemmings, 42.0.

Women's 470

SECOND RACE: 1, A Jolly and L Jewell (US), 0.0 pts; 2, M Soderstrom and B Bengtsson (Swe), 3.0; 3, L Moskalenko and I Chunikhovskaya (USSR), 5.7; 4, B Lemstrom and A Lemstrom (Fin), 8.0, 5, F Galloway and J Shearer (NZ), 10.0; 6, A Gonzalez and P Guerra (Sp), 11.7; 7, M Munch and L Sorensen (Den), 13.0; 8, K Johnson and G Johnson (Can), 14.0, 9, D Jarvis and S Hay (GB), 15.0; 10, A Bacchiega and N Monico (It), 16.0. Leaders after two races: 1, Soderstrom and Bengtsson, 3.0pts; 2, Jolly and Jewell, 5.7; 3, Moskalenko and Tchounikhovskaia 13.7; 17, Jarvis and Hay, 44.0.

Boardsailing

SECOND RACE: 1, M Gebhardt (US), 0.0 pts; 2, F Wirz (It), 3.0; 3, B Kendall (NZ), 5.7; 4, C Lawrence (Aus), 8.0; 5, B Varschoor (Neth), 10.0; 6, G Myszkowski (Pol), 11.7; 7, R Myerscough (Can), 13.0; 8, J Boersma (Netherlands Antilles), 14.0; 9, D Meyer (WG), 15.0; 10, M Torell (Swe), 16.0. British placing: 15, S Goody, 21.00. Leaders after two races: 1, Gebhardt, 8.0pts; 2, Kendall, 11.4; 3, Boersma, 14.0; 14, Goody 38.0.

MEDALS TABLE

	G	S	B	Total
Soviet Union	7	3	8	18
East Germany	4	4	3	11
Bulgaria	4	3	2	9
United States	3	3	3	9
Italy	2	0	1	3
Yugoslavia	2	0	1	3
China	1	3	4	8
West Germany	1	2	3	6
South Korea	1	2	2	5
Poland	1	2	1	4
Romania	1	2	0	3
Hungary	1	1	1	3
Australia	1	1	0	2
Czechoslovakia	1	1	0	2
Great Britain	1	0	1	2
Norway	1	0	0	1
Surinam	1	0	0	1
Turkey	1	0	0	1
Japan	0	2	1	3
Sweden	0	2	1	3
France	0	1	1	2
Costa Rica	0	1	0	1
Finland	0	1	0	1
Belgium	0	0	1	1

BRITISH MEDALS

GOLD: A Moorhouse (swimming: men's 100 metres breaststroke).
BRONZE: A Jameson (swimming: men's 100 metres butterfly).

KEY

Alg: Algeria; Arg: Argentina; Aus: Australia; Bah: Bahamas; Bar: Barbados; Bel: Belgium, Berm: Bermuda, Bol: Bolivia, Br: Brazil; Bul: Bulgaria; Can: Canada; Col: Colombia; Cz: Czechoslovakia; Den: Denmark, Dom Rep: Dominican Republic, Ec: Ecuador; EG: East Germany; El Sal: El Salvador; Fin: Finland; Fr: France; GB: Great Britain; Gr: Greece; Guy: Guyana; HK: Hong Kong; Hon: Honduras; Hun: Hungary; Ice: Iceland; Indo: Indonesia; Ire: Republic of Ireland, Isr: Israel, It: Italy; Jam: Jamaica; Ken: Kenya; Lux: Luxembourg; Mal: Malaysia; Mex: Mexico; Mor: Morocco; Neth: Netherlands, Nor: Norway; NZ: New Zealand; Pak: Pakistan; Pan: Panama; Par: Paraguay; Phil: Philippines; Pol: Poland; Por: Portugal; P Rico: Puerto Rico, Rom: Romania, Saud: Saudi Arabia; Sing: Singapore; S Kor: South Korea; Sp: Spain; Swe: Sweden; Switz: Switzerland; Tan: Tanzania; Thai: Thailand; Tri: Trinidad and Tobago; Tun: Tunisia; Tur: Turkey; UAE: United Arab Emirates; Uga: Uganda; Uru: Uruguay; US: United States; USSR: Soviet Union; Ven: Venezuela; Viet: Vietnam; WG: West Germany; Yug: Yugoslavia; Zam: Zambia; Zim: Zimbabwe.

TODAY AND TOMORROW

TELEVISION

Today

BBC1: -0630 (live), 0630-0855, 0900-1025, 1105-1255, 1900-2000, 2330-0630 (Friday).
BBC2: 1415-1630 (includes racing).
ITV: 1100-1300, 1330-1400, 1715-1745, 1800-1830.
C4: -0700 (live), 0700-0930, 2330-0700 (Friday).

Tomorrow

BBC1: -0630 (live), 0630-0855, 0900-1055, 1105-1255, 1900-2015, 0000-0630 (Saturday).
BBC2: 1420-1630 (includes racing).
ITV: 1100-1300, 1330-1400, 1715-1745, 1800-1830.
C4: -0700 (live), 0700-0930, 2315-0700 (Saturday).

PROGRAMME

Today

BASKETBALL: 0045, 0245, 1030 and 1230, women: preliminary rounds.
BOXING: 0100 and 1000, preliminary rounds.
CYCLING: Men: 0100, sprint, eighth-finals; 0100, 4,000m pursuit, semi-finals; 0100, points race, qualifying round; 0900, sprint, quarter-finals; 0800, 4,000m pursuit, final. Women, 0100, sprint, eighth-finals; 0800, sprint, quarter-finals.
EQUESTRIANISM: 0430, three-day event jumping finals.
FENCING: Men: 2330, sabre, preliminary round. Women: 0500, foil, elimination round: 1100, foil, final.
FOOTBALL: Preliminary round: 0800, Argentina v South Korea, Soviet Union v United States: 1000, Brazil v Yugoslavia, Australia v Nigeria.
GYMNASTICS: 0300, men: individual all round competition, final.
HANDBALL: 0100, 0230, 0500, 0630, 0900, 1030, men: preliminary round
HOCKEY: Men: Preliminary round: 0000, Pakistan v Argentina; 0145, South Korea v India 0430, Kenya v Spain, Soviet Union v Canada; 0615, Australia v Netherlands, Great Britain v West Germany.
MODERN PENTATHLON: 0100-0200, cross-country.
ROWING: 0000, men: semi-finals. 0000, women: semi-finals.
SHOOTING: Men: 0000-0345, rapid fire pistol, 30 shots, first round; 0000-0500, running game target, 30 shots, first round; 0000-0500, smallbore free rifle, three positions, 3x40 shots; 0630, smallbore free rifle, three positions, 10 shots, final; Open: 0000-0600, clay target skeet, 75 targets, first round.
SWIMMING: Men: 0000, 100m freestyle, heats, 200m backstroke, heats; 1100, 100m freestyle, final, 200m backstroke, final. Women: 0000, 100m backstroke, heats, 400m freestyle, heats, 4x100m freestyle relay, heats; 1100, 100m backstroke, final, 400m freestyle, final, 4x100m freestyle relay, final.
TENNIS: 0200, men: singles, second round. 0200, women: singles, first round.
VOLLEYBALL: 00.45, 0300, 0530, 0730, 0930, 1130, men: preliminary matches.
WATER POLO: 0000 and 0500, preliminary rounds.
WEIGHTLIFTING: Up to 75kg: 0500, group C; 0800, group B; 1200, group A, final.
WRESTLING: Greco-Roman: 0100, 57kg, 68kg, 82kg, and 130kg, preliminaries; 0830, 57kg, 68kg, 82kg, and 130kg, finals.
YACHTING: 0430-0830, third race.

Tomorrow

ATHLETICS: Men: 0010, shot, qualifying round; 0050, 100m, first round; 0110, triple jump, qualifying round; 0200, 400m hurdles, heats; 0425, 100m, second round; 0450-0810, 20km walk; 0500, 800m, first round; 0710, shot, final; 0730, 10,000m, heats. Women: 0030-0250, marathon; 0340, 400m, first round: 0540 and 0640, 3,000m, heats; heptathlon: 0000, 100m hurdles, 0100, high jump, 0430 shot, 0700, 200m.
BASKETBALL: 0045, 0245, 0530, 0730, 1030 and 1230, men: preliminary rounds.
BOXING: 0100 and 1000, preliminary rounds.
CYCLING: 0800, men: sprint, semi-finals, 4,000m team pursuit, qualifying round and quarter-finals. 0800, women: sprint, semi-finals.
EQUESTRIANISM: 0100 and 0500, Training jumping competition.
FENCING: Men: 2330, epee, preliminary round; 0500, sabre, elimination round; 1100, sabre, final.
GYMNASTICS: 0300, women: individual all round competition final.
HANDBALL: 0500, 0630, 0900, 1030, women: preliminary round.
HOCKEY: Women: Preliminary round: 0000, Australia v West Germany; 0145, Netherlands v Great Britain; 0430, South Korea v Canada; 0615, Argentina v United States.
ROWING: 0000, men: 7th to 12th places: single sculls, double sculls, quadruple sculls, coxed pairs, coxless pairs, coxed fours, coxless fours, eights. 0000, women: 7th to 12th places: single sculls, double sculls, quadruple sculls, coxless pairs, coxed fours, eights.
SHOOTING: Men: 0000-0345, rapid fire pistol, 30 shots, second round; 0000-0400, running game target, 30 shots, second round; 0430, rapid fire pistol, 10 shots, final; 0530, running game target, 10 shots, final. Open: 0000-0600, clay target skeet, 75 targets, second round.
SWIMMING: Men: 0100, 200m breaststroke, heats, 400m freestyle, heats, 4x100m freestyle relay, heats; 1100, 200m breaststroke, final, 400m freestyle, final, 4x100m freestyle relay, final. Women: 0100, 100m breaststroke, heats, 100m butterfly, heats, 800m freestyle, heats; 1100, 100m breaststroke, final, 100m butterfly, final.
TABLE TENNIS: Men: 0000, 0430, 0550, 0930 and 1110, singles, first stage; 0140 and 0640, doubles, first stage. Women: 0050, 0210 and 1020, singles, first stage; 0520 and 0900, doubles, first stage.
TENNIS: 0200, men: doubles, first round. 0200, women: singles, second round.
VOLLEYBALL: 0045, 0300, 0930, 1130, women: preliminary matches.
WATER POLO: 0000 and 0500, preliminary rounds.
YACHTING: 0430-0830, fourth race.

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Cram scorns Aouita's triple dream

From Pat Butcher
Athletics Correspondent
Seoul

Joking apart, it is time to translate the words into actions. The first day's athletics begins at midnight. If Said Aouita, who has grabbed all the headlines with his outlandish prediction, can put flesh on his fancy of winning three gold medals then he will more than justify his desire to be considered the ultimate athlete, not only of these Games, but of anywhere, and of any time.

Steve Cram does not believe Aouita's threat to compete in the 800, 1,500 and 5,000 metres. Cram said yesterday: "Nobody in their right mind would attempt the eight, 15 *and* five. I think he's having a bit of a joke.

"He tried the same sort of thing in Rome last year (at the world championships). When he said he was going to break the world 5,000 metres record before the race, he had everybody beaten before the start."

Leaving aside the 5,000 metres — Aouita is also entered for the steeplechase — the realistic debate is on the relative chances of Cram and Aouita winning the middle-distance double.

It has been achieved four times in modern Olympic history, by Edwin Flack, in 1896, Mel Shepherd, in 1908, Albert Hill, in 1920, and Peter Snell, in 1964. Steve Ovett and Sebastian Coe's rivalry in the 1980 Games, in Moscow, produced two of the most exciting middle-distance races in Olympic history. Cram and Aouita promise the same.

But they are not alone, at least in the 800 metres, in which the first round is held tomorrow. Joaquim Cruz, the champion, is fitter than he has been since 1985, when he came within 0.04sec of Coe's world record. Cruz has been tearing round the training track this week, exhibiting the sort of power which won him the gold in Los Angeles.

Aouita, in contrast, has been almost nonchalant. "Anything I do here is just ticking over. The work towards winning Olympic titles was done two months ago."

That, effectively, is what Cram reiterated when he said that the six or seven days off after his injury in Italy, three weeks ago, was "irrelevant really". He said he was reassured by the two hard track sessions that he had done since arriving in the Far East.

Cram was looking thin and pale at his press conference. That, incongruously, is a good sign, reminiscent of the athlete's anecdote: "I know I'm really fit when my workmates tell me how ill I look."

The first two rounds, tomorrow and Saturday, should do little, other than eliminate the also-rans. The consensus of Aouita, Cram and Peter Elliott, the other strong British hope, is that the finalists on Monday will include themselves, Cruz, Johnny Gray, José-Luis Barbosa and, perhaps, Tom McKean.

The key to a fast race, the only sure way, Cram believes, to beat Aouita, seems to lie with Barbosa. If he runs the first lap true to form, in under 50 seconds, and his Brazilian colleague, Cruz, and anyone else in touch can push on from there, the theory is that Aouita will never catch them.

The Moroccan has been lost for pace at the start of the two 800 metres he has run this summer. But he has won against Gray and Cruz, promoting the more credible theory that 800 metres races are won by the runner who decelerates the least on the second lap.

The big three are Cram, Cruz and Aouita. If they reach the final it will be the only time they have met since Nice in 1985, when Cram set the 1,500 metres world record of 3min 29.67sec.

It was one of the two occasions he has beaten Aouita, the other being in the 1983 world 1,500 metres championship. Aouita also went under 3:30 in Nice, and Cruz, then, as now, not a serious 1,500 metres runner, finished seventh.

Part of Cram's comeback from his disaster in Rome last year has been to take lesser races less seriously, meaning that he loses sometimes. That is tantamount to sacrilege to Aouita, who sees any defeat as a personal insult. The Moroccan sees Cram's attitude as a sign of weakness.

Aouita's lack of experience at 800 metres makes this first encounter even more fascinating. But he more than makes up for that deficiency with tenacity, which was so obvious in the cliffhanger defeats of Gray and Cruz. The crucial difference is not in who wants to win most, but who least wants to lose. That man is Aouita.

Lewis poised if fortune deserts the raging bull

From Pat Butcher

At last the 100 metres. After the longest prelude to the shortest race, there was yet another Carl Lewis press conference yesterday. He and Ben Johnson will take their marks on Saturday to settle the latest argument about who is the fastest man in the world. The stars, apparently, are against Lewis, but the statistics are against Johnson.

A Korean journalist livened up Lewis's conference by announcing that local astrologists predicted that the quadruple Olympic champion was in for a bad time.

Lewis deflected the suggestion by asking whether it was the same seer who advised Nancy Reagan. The rest was the usual anodyne stuff. Thankfully, his sprinting is in inverse proportion.

Lewis is the most talented, lithe, elegant sprinter we have seen in years, the gazelle to Johnson's bull. The way he loped past Johnson's charge to win in Zurich last month, and end the run of six victories that Johnson had enjoyed since early 1985, the year after Lewis beat him into third place in the 1984 Games, suggests that Lewis is favourite to become the only man to defend successfully an Olympic short sprint title.

Because of a lengthy injury this season, the edge that Johnson had last year was gone and four weeks is a short time to have retrieved it. When Johnson went into the world championships last year, he was coming off five races where he had averaged 9.975sec, whereas Lewis's best time was 9.97sec.

A windy 9.90sec for Johnson, compared with a windy 9.78sec for Lewis, and a 10sec behind Lewis's 9.93sec in Zurich, tell the rest of the story. Johnson's two defeats by Calvin Smith suggest an epilogue.

The only thing that can speed Johnson to victory is his anger. If the slum kid from Jamaica can unlock his contempt for the urbane Lewis and pour it all into a cathartic, oblivious burst down the track then the raging bull would pull off a popular win.

Linford Christie also spends a lot of time being angry. Depite everyone, including Lewis and Johnson, agreeing that he has the physique to contest victory, he has yet to harness it successfully. He will do very well to get a medal.

After that, the rest of the competition, with finals in the women's marathon, men's shot and 20 kilometre walk on the first day, will seem relatively sedate.

Grete Waitz would be another popular winner. She has had the same arthroscopic knee surgery, the same time beforehand, that Joan Benoit had prior to winning the inaugural Olympic women's marathon four years ago.

Despite Benoit's freely-given advice — they were never particularly friendly when rivals — Waitz will have a hard job containing Rosa Mota, who has a habit of winning when it really matters, something that Waitz, who has won everything but an Olympic gold, has not managed to do.

Mary Slaney goes in search of an elusive gold medal, a race where Yvonne Murray should acquit herself well, right up to the podium, the same place that Eamonn Martin should be gracing after the 10,000 metres, which also starts tonight.

Jackie Joyner-Kersee is such an outstanding favourite for the heptathlon it is difficult to believe that she lost, albeit by six points, last time.

Ed Moses did not lose last time, or the time before. It was only the time in between, the United States' boycott in 1980, which deprived him. He starts after a third gold medal tonight in the 400 metres hurdles, and Kriss Akabusi chases a place in the final.

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Leng and Stark keep Britain on course for medal

From Jenny MacArthur, Seoul

Virginia Leng and Ian Stark lifted the British team's chances of a medal — and their own hopes for individual ones — with outstanding performances over yesterday's speed and endurance phase of the Olympic three-day event competition at Won Dang ranch on the outskirts of Seoul. They finished in second and third places respectively behind New Zealand's defending champion, Mark Todd, on Charisma.

At the end of the long, hot day Britain lay third, five points behind New Zealand. The West Germans, to the surprise of everyone but their *chef d'équipe*, Martin Plewa, extended their lead after all four riders went clear across country. The challenge of the United States, the defending Olympic champions, disintegrated when two of their riders failed to complete.

Leng, the world and European champion, had a tougher than usual assignment. The withdrawal of Mark Phillips's Cartier, who pulled up lame after the second roads and tracks, had reduced the team to three.

Karen Straker on Get Smart, the least experienced, suddenly found herself in the role of pathfinder — and almost proved an excellent one but for an unlucky fall at the second water fence. Leng knew that only a fast and clear performance from both her and Stark would put the British team in the reckoning for a medal.

If her young horse, Master Craftsman, was in any doubt about her intentions she was soon put right. At fence four, the Bamboo Drop, he hit the top of the fence hard. Leng was catapulted out of the saddle and for a moment it looked as if it was all over for Britain. But, instinctive as ever, she shot both hands into the air performing an extraordinary balancing act. "I'm staying with you, boy, whatever happens," she said as she flung her arms around his neck, and by some miracle stayed on.

His subsequent jumping instilled her with such confidence that at fence 17 she jumped the difficult corner

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option — one of only four to do so. She finished the course, which she had ridden in the heat of the day, with 8.8 time faults and "chuffed to bits."

When Stark followed with his usual devastating performance on his dual Badminton winner, Sir Wattie — also jumping the corner of fence 17 — and finished with just 2.8 time faults, the British were back in contention.

Todd, however, soon boosted the New Zealanders' score. He and Charisma, competing on their last cross-country course together, never looked in any danger of collecting time faults. The 16-year-old horse, nimble as a cat, made the imposing course look like a pony club event. For a last performance there could have been no finer swan-song. Todd and his compatriot, Tinks Pottinger, on Volunteer were the only riders to jump the course clear within the time.

While Todd was able to ride as fast as he dared, the first two young West German riders, Matthias Baumann on Shamrock and Thies Kaspereit, were under orders from Plewa to go for slow clear rounds. Plewa, having a determined crack at the team gold, had adopted the British method and concentrated his Olympic campaign on the fitness of the horses and the building up of team spirit.

Shamrock and Sherry were among the strongest finishers. When Claus Erhorn on the former British horse, Justyn Thyme, followed his good dressage mark with a clear cross-country round, the West German lead was unassailable.

Despite the fears beforehand, the steeplechase and the cross-country course rode well. Eight out of the 10 teams competing completed the cross-country, including the Koreans — much to the delight of the course designer, Hugh Thomas, who was criticized beforehand for not providing enough easy alternative fences for the less-experienced countries.

Lord Patrick Beresford said: "The course designer is to be congratulated because so many riders got round." Only seven out of the 47 who started on the cross-country failed to finish.

Pathfinder on an ill-fated mission: Captain Phillips on Cartier before the horse went lame

Brainstorm blamed by an off-target Cooper

Sarah Cooper's hopes of giving her husband Malcolm a boost on the eve of his Olympic shooting title defence disappeared in a few nightmare minutes yesterday, when she slumped to a last-but-one 36th in the women's three-position rifle event.

Cooper, tenth in Los Angeles, dropped only two points out of 200 in the prone, but in the standing section she recorded 93 and then a dreadful 75 as she shot into another shooter's target. "It was a total brainstorm. I just don't know how it happened," Cooper, who never recovered from the upset, said.

Margaret Thomas, a London dentist, 34th in the women's air pistol event, 25 points behind Nino Saloukvadze, of the Soviet Union, who set a world recordof 390, but was overtaken in the final by the West German, Silvia Sperber.

● Visiting shooting teams yesterday accused South Korean officials of giving local marksmen over-generous scores. French officials said foreign teams had agreed to keep an eye on South Korean officials whenever a local marskman was involved.

Italians save face with last eight place

Seoul (AP) — Italy staved off national shame yesterday by reaching the quarter-finals of the Olympic football tournament with a hard-fought 2-0 win over Iraq in preliminary group B. The Italians needed a victory to gain the group's second quarter-final place after Zambia clinched the first with a 4-0 rout of Guatemala earlier in the day. Zambia had beaten Italy 4-0 on Monday.

Rizzitelli in the 59th minute and Mauro in the 61st scored for Italy, whose best performers included the winger, de Agostini, an international with Juventus.

Medal hopes improved by a late shift to the right

From Barry Pickthall, Pusan

Britain's Star sailors, Mike McIntyre and Brynne Vaile, recorded a memorable victory on the second day of the Olympic regatta at Pusan, to take the overall lead in this highly competitive keel boat class.

The pair rounded the first weather mark in third place, sandwiched between two of the most experienced champions, from West Germany and America. They fell back to seventh at the leeward mark and lost a further three places on the following windward leg. Their position looked less than hopeful as they rounded the leeward mark for the last time.

McIntyre, a skipper in *The Times*/James Capel Crewsearch scheme, then chose to head out to the right of the course, while those ahead became embroiled in a private battle for supremacy.

"After our experience on the previous beat, we decided to approach the finish from the right. As we headed out the winds became much steadier, lifting us towards the finish line," the Scot explained with justifiable glee.

Only the Dutch boat, skippered by the 1986 European champion, Steven Bakker, broke off from the leading engagement to cover the British duo and, as they closed on the finish line, Bakker held the advantage.

McIntyre looked destined for second place as the British boat tacked on a heading shift and ducked the Dutchman's transom in one last lunge towards the right-hand layline.

Eight boat lengths later, the wind direction swung back, and after tacking for the line, the British pair, who formed their Olympic partnership 10 months ago, hiked out like men possessed to cross the line barely 10 seconds ahead of the second-placed Italians, Gorla and Peraboni, who left the Dutch to scramble home third.

It is the first British win in this oldest of all Olympic classes since Stuart Jardine led the fleet home in the opening race at Kiel, 16 years ago.

In the other classes, Tornado sailors Rob White and Jeremy Newman finished seventh, Lawrie Smith, Ed Leask and Jeremy Richards were eighth among the Solings, while Roger Yeoman and Neal McDonald ended the day eleventh in the Flying Dutchman class.

On the 470 course, Jason Belben and Andrew Hemmings were 15th and Debbie Jarvis and Sue Hay finished 10th among the women. Stuart Childerley, Britain's top scorer on Tuesday, dropped to 14th yesterday, his only comfort being that a principal rival, Lasse Hjortnes, from Denmark, retired with a broken mast. Simon Goody, Britain's Vision II sailboard representative, finished 15th in his class.

Whitbread making good progress

Seoul (Reuter) — The women's world javelin champion, Fatima Whitbread, of Britain, believes she is still in the running for the Olympic title, despite persistent problems with a shoulder injury.

Whitbread, who is receiving daily treatment for a trapped shoulder nerve, said yesterday: "Things are progressing. It's as good as it should be at this point. I'm having treatment and good care every day and I'm sure I'll be 100 per cent on the day."

The former world record holder has only three clear days left to recover before Sunday's qualifiers and four days until the final.

While Whitbread has been struggling to shake off her injury, her main rival, Petra Felke, of East Germany, has been in outstanding form. She recently became the first woman to throw 80 metres.

"It's going to be the greatest women's javelin competition ever," Whitbread predicted. "I feel the same way about Petra Felke as I always did. Nobody's name's written on the gold medal yet."

Tessa Sanderson, Britain's defending Olympic champion, has an even bigger injury worry hanging over her as she has not thrown the javelin since cutting her ankle during pre-Olympic training in Japan.

● Heike Drechsler, for years the queen of international track, fears she is losing her crown to Florence Griffith-Joyner, who can now match her in ability and style.

The tall 23-year-old East German has entered three events at the Seoul Olympics —100 metres, 200 metres and long jump — and says she is in good shape after a long bout of muscle problems. In the sprints she faces Griffith-Joyner, the 28-year-old American who shattered the world record at 100 metres with 10.49sec.

SPORT IN BRIEF

Green put on charge

New York (Reuter) — Mitch Green, the boxer who was involved in a street brawl with Mike Tyson, the world heavyweight champion, a month ago, was arrested, charged with disorderly conduct and held in custody here yesterday after a woman complained of his behaviour in a Harlem street.

Green had to be subdued by means of a Taser, a stun-gun that administers an electrical shock. "He was acting in an irrational manner and had to be subdued by the ESU (Emergency Services Unit)," a police spokesman said, but declined to be more specific.

Fund raiser

The first American college football game to be staged in Europe will take place at the National Stadium at Crystal Palace on October 16. The match, between Boston University and the University of Richmond, will count towards the Yankee Conference standings and will raise money for the British-based Imperial Cancer Research Fund.

Royal opener

Stephen Hendry will play Terry Griffiths, last season's world championship runner-up, in the opening match tonight of the £60,000 Continental Airlines London Masters at the Cafe Royal. The winner of the event, which also features the world champion, Steve Davis, Jimmy White, Neal Foulds, John Parrott, Dennis Taylor and Tony Drago, will pick up £25,000. The final is in May.

Top form

The Australian women's lacrosse team yesterday defeated North Territory 19-0 at Keighley — three days before the first Test at Old Trafford, Manchester.

Carrying on

Great Britain will continue playing under-21 internationals this season in preference to the introduction of an under-19 side, the Rugby League announced yesterday. They will have a home match against France on January 20, at a venue yet to be decided, and in France on February 4.

Mantell move

Chris Mantell, a member of the original London rugby union training squad this season, is to join Harlequins from Rosslyn Park. Mantell, a flanker, has been overtaken by Hyde and Hill, both physically bigger men, in Park's back row.

Early lead

Abidjan, Ivory Coast (AP) — On rain-drenched roads, Alain Ambrosini, of France, yesterday moved into an early lead in the twentieth Ivory Coast Safari Rally.

Turks win

Istanbul, (AFP) — The first senior international football match between Turkey and Greece for nearly 40 years ended in a 3-1 win yesterday for the Turks.

Cowdrey before the board

Kent's captain, Chris Cowdrey, must face the full disciplinary committee of the Test and County Cricket Board to answer remarks he was alleged to have made to *The Sun* newspaper earlier this month concerning his treatment by the England selectors.

He is reported to have said: "I'm deeply hurt because no one had the courtesy to tell me why I'm no longer the right man to be captain".

He was interviewed by the board's disciplinary investigating panel at Lord's yesterday concerning the article and they considered "there had been a breach of TCCB regulations and the matter would now be referred to a meeting of the full disciplinary committee". A spokesman for the board said no date had been fixed for the hearing.

Cowdrey's alleged outburst followed the appointment of Graham Gooch as captain for the winter tour of India. Against the West Indies, Cowdrey had been appointed as captain for two games but injury forced him to pull out of the second.

Australian team appeal to ICC

From Richard Streeton
Faisalabad

The Australian cricketers decided yesterday that they would continue their tour of Pakistan "without protest", but have asked the local board and the International Cricket Conference (ICC) to examine the problems met by touring teams in Pakistan. A players' meeting — called to discuss whether they should ask to return home — issued a statement pointing out that other touring sides had also been critical of Pakistan pitches and umpiring.

"The situation is unacceptable and damaging to international cricket, yet nothing seems to be done. We appeal to the Pakistan board and the ICC to take a long and honest look at the situation confronting visiting teams, for the sake of their own reputation as well as that of the players, whose careers are put at risk."

Colin Egar, the Australian manager, said the Australians had taken a stand for the future welfare of world cricket. "The ICC minutes have never shown any discussion about Pakistan cricket conditions and it is time they looked into this matter irrespective of any political sensitivities involved."

The Australians held their meeting after they flew from Karachi to Faisalabad for the second Test match which starts tomorrow. They were clearly in a more constructive mood than they had been 24 hours earlier, immediately after five days' gruelling cricket and a heavy defeat in the first Test.

There was unanimous agreement that the tour would be completed and more emphasis was placed on what could be done to bring about changes in Pakistan. The ICC were the obvious body to invoke but they have previously never been asked to investigate problems of this sort in a member country and might be reluctant to do so.

The ICC also has a poor and ineffective record as a governing body compared with those in most other sports and, to be fair, their present constitution probably does not equip them to deal with this present development. With agendas prepared long in advance for the ICC's annual meetings, it would be July before the Australian players' request was even discussed.

Meanwhile, no official reaction from the Pakistan board was immediately available. They will not relish, however, the general tone of the Australian team statement, which was cleared for publication by Malcolm Gray, the Australian board chairman, before it was released.

Bob Simpson, the touring team's coach, said the players believed their statement could start to improve matters locally straight away. "You would be surprised how much sympathy we have had from the ordinary Pakistan people we meet in shops and hotels and so on. I suspect there is a greater degree of understanding among many Pakistanis unconnected with the game about what has been going on than is realized."

The Australian team's statement read: "The Australian cricket team is aware of its responsibilities to the game and to future generations of international cricketers. For that reason we will fulfil our commitments on this tour as agreed by the cricket boards of Australia and Pakistan.

"But we fully support Allan Border and our tour management in their comments on playing conditions here in Pakistan. We are not alone in our dissatisfaction with the circumstances which surround Test cricket in Pakistan.

"Other visiting teams have drawn attention to pitches and umpiring decisions which are clearly unsatisfactory and contrary to the spirit of the game. The situation is unacceptable and damaging to international cricket, yet nothing seems to be done.

"We appeal to the Pakistan board and the ICC to take a long and honest look at the situation confronting visiting teams for the sake of their own reputation as well as that of the players whose careers are put at risk.

"We hope that the rest of the tour will be completed as a fair contest between international cricketers and we will be doing our utmost to play and win our matches in the proper spirit."

CORRECTION: Pakistan v Australia, Karachi. September 15 to 20: Australia second innings: D C Boon b Qasim 4, A I C Dodemaide st Yousuf b Tauseef 2.